TODAY'S WEATHER
RAIN OR SNOW AND PROBABLY COLDER.

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LYING COLD IN DEATH ARE 68 OF THE VICTIMS OF AWFUL WRECK OF THE DUQUESNE LIMITED, AND SOME INJURED PASSENGERS MAY DIE

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THE WEATHER

Rain or Snow.

Rain or snow is predicted for Pittsburgh and vicinity today. Tomorrow the forecast is for snow. There was .20 of an inch of rain yesterday. The maximum temperature yesterday was 46 and the minimum 38. The sun rose cloudy at 7:24 and set cloudy at 4:38. The daily report, furnished by the local weather office, follows:

Time.	Baro.	Tem.	Hum	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.05	43	45	S. W.	Cloudy
8 p. m.	29.80	42	91	N.	Rain

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 24:

	1902	1901		1902	1901
Maximum	38	40	Mean	32	38
Minimum	25	36	Precipitation	.14	.02
Max. tem. 2:15 pm.	46		Exc. since Jan. 1		105
Min. tem. midnight	38		Nor. precip. 31 yrs.		.10
Mean temperature	42		Precip. for day		.20
Nor. tem. 31 yrs.	35		Excess for day		.10
Excess for day	6		Dfcy. since Dec. 1	1.09	
Dfcy. since Dec. 1	1.49		Exc. since Jan. 1	2.37	

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Rain or snow and colder Friday. Saturday, threatening; probably snow; brisk north winds.

Ohio—Fair in west; rain or snow in east portion; colder. Saturday, threatening; probably snow in east and central portions; fresh to brisk west to north winds.

West Virginia—Rain or snow and colder Friday. Saturday, threatening, probably snow.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 o'clock last night:

Cincinnati	44	Cloudy	Indianapolis	38	Clear
St. Louis	40	Clear	Kansas City	38	Clear
Cairo	46	Cloudy	New Orleans	66	Clear
Chicago	32	PtCldy	Philadelphia	40	Cloudy
Omaha	34	Cloudy	Washington	40	Clear
Des Moines	34	Cloudy	New York	40	Cloudy
St. Paul	10	Clear	Buffalo	36	Rain
Helena	40	PtCldy	Cleveland	38	Cloudy
Memphis	48	Rain	Cheyenne	26	Clear
Duluth	2	Clear	Denver	28	Clear
Vicksburg	68	Cloudy	Salt L. City	28	Cloudy

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived Dec. 24.

NEW YORK—Celtic, from Liverpool; Anchoria, from Glasgow.

HALIFAX—Buenos Ayrean, from Glasgow (for Philadelphia).

HAVRE—La Savoie, from New York.

BROW HEAD—Cevic, from New York for Liverpool.

Sailed Dec. 24.

NEW YORK—La Bretagne, for Havre; Corinthic, for Glasgow.

NAPLES—Chicago, for New York; Carpathia, for New York.

QUEENSTOWN—Majestic, for New York.

LONDON—Lancastrian, for Boston; Mesaba, for New York.

LIVERPOOL—Laurentian, for St. Johns.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

NIXON—Chief Barrymore in "Cousin Kate," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

ALVIN—The Four Cohans in "Running for Office," 2 and 8:15 p. m.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—Christmas Pantomime, "Jack in the Woods," 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—Fifteen big vaudeville acts; continuous performance 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

BIJOU—"Two Miserables in "The Princess Chic," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Johnstone Bennett and company and star vaudeville acts, 2 and 8 p. m.

GAIETY—"The Factory Girl," 2 and 8 p. m.

ACADEMY—"Hiley and Rogers" Extravaganza company, 2 and 8 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Skating afternoon and evening.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE ART GALLERIES—Eight annual exhibition of paintings, 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

PITTSBURGH CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Pittsburgh orchestra, Victor Herbert, conductor; Luigi von Kunits, violin soloist, 8:15 p. m.

Several of the Patients in the Cottage Hospital, Connellsville, Are Not Expected to Recover from Wounds.

BOROUGH SHROUDED IN GLOOM AND HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES CEASE

Streets Filled With Wagons Bearing Corpses to the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Station, Whence They Are Being Shipped to Their Friends. Funerals of Local Victims to Be Held Today. Special Meeting of Council to Consider the Burial of the Unknown Dead.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]
From a Staff Correspondent.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—Sixty-eight victims of the wreck of the Duquesne Limited on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, near Dawson, last night, are dead, three are lying at the point of death in the Cottage State hospital and half a score were less seriously injured. Four corpses as yet are unidentified. Every hour brings telegrams or friends claiming the remains. Fourteen bodies were shipped to forsaken homes tonight and Christmas day will witness a procession in which a score of the dead will be borne from the sorrow-stricken town. JOHN P. COWAN.

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 24.—The merry chime of Christmas bells from Connellsville church spires tomorrow will ring from the mountainsides mingled with the echoes of the funeral dirge and the mournful rumble of the hearse. Tonight there was little evidence of holiday festivities where horror and suffering were so unexpectedly thrust upon the community by last night's disaster on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad near Dawson. Scenes of suffering and grief and the presence of death in its most shocking form had driven away the thoughts of merrymaking.

Throughout the day crowds thronged the three dead houses and the streets were filled with wagons which carried the bodies to the homes of grief-stricken friends. In the afternoon two score of coffins arrived on a special car, and tonight 14 of the caskets were borne away containing the remains of those victims claimed by their families.

Thirty Bodies to Be Sent Home.

Tomorrow's sun will hail renewed activity in the local morgue. At least 30 of the bodies will be gathered up and taken away on early trains. The funerals of several local people will be held, but it will be a week or longer before the last of the scarred corpses will find final disposition.

Connellsville has recovered from the shock of the calamity. Today Burgess Patterson and all the leading officials of the town aided the undertakers and the physicians in every way possible. But the generous-hearted people will not stop here. A special meeting of the borough council will be held today upon the call of President George Porter and measures will be taken toward forming a relief committee to look after bodies unidentified or unclaimed, and in case no friends appear, the citizens will see that the victims do not find a last resting place in the potter's field. The railroad company will contribute liberally to this fund, but there will be more than the money necessary.

Tribute to the Dead.

All who happen to be left to charity will be decently interred and the Christian burial service will be performed, the funerals partaking of the form of the town's tribute to the memory of those whose lives were sacrificed in the wreck.

This morning, scarcely 12 hours after the ill-fated Duquesne Limited leaped over the embankment at Laurel run, the tracks had been relaid and trains were operated without delay. Trainmaster C. P. Gorsuch with his wrecking crews of over 100 men worked from the hour of the wreck up until late this afternoon, clearing away the debris in a marvelously brief space of time.

The Cottage State hospital, where 18 victims were relieved of their agony by death in the early hours of this morning, was quiet today. It housed but three of the sufferers, who are making a brave fight for life with slight chances for victory.

Official Investigation Started.

The official investigation into the cause of the disaster has been begun by the officers of the railroad company. It is doubtful if any individual will be blamed for the accident. It was apparent that a number of switch ties which had fallen off a west-bound freight train and were strewn upon the passenger track, caused the flying express to be derailed.

The timber was loaded upon the car at Friends Run, Md. Stout wooden stays are used to secure the lumber upon a gondola car. In some way this support gave way and the timbers falling, formed an obstruction upon the east-bound passenger track but a few minutes before the Duquesne Limited reached the spot. The carload of ties was bound for New Castle and the responsibility, if there is any, can be easily traced. JOHN P. COWAN.

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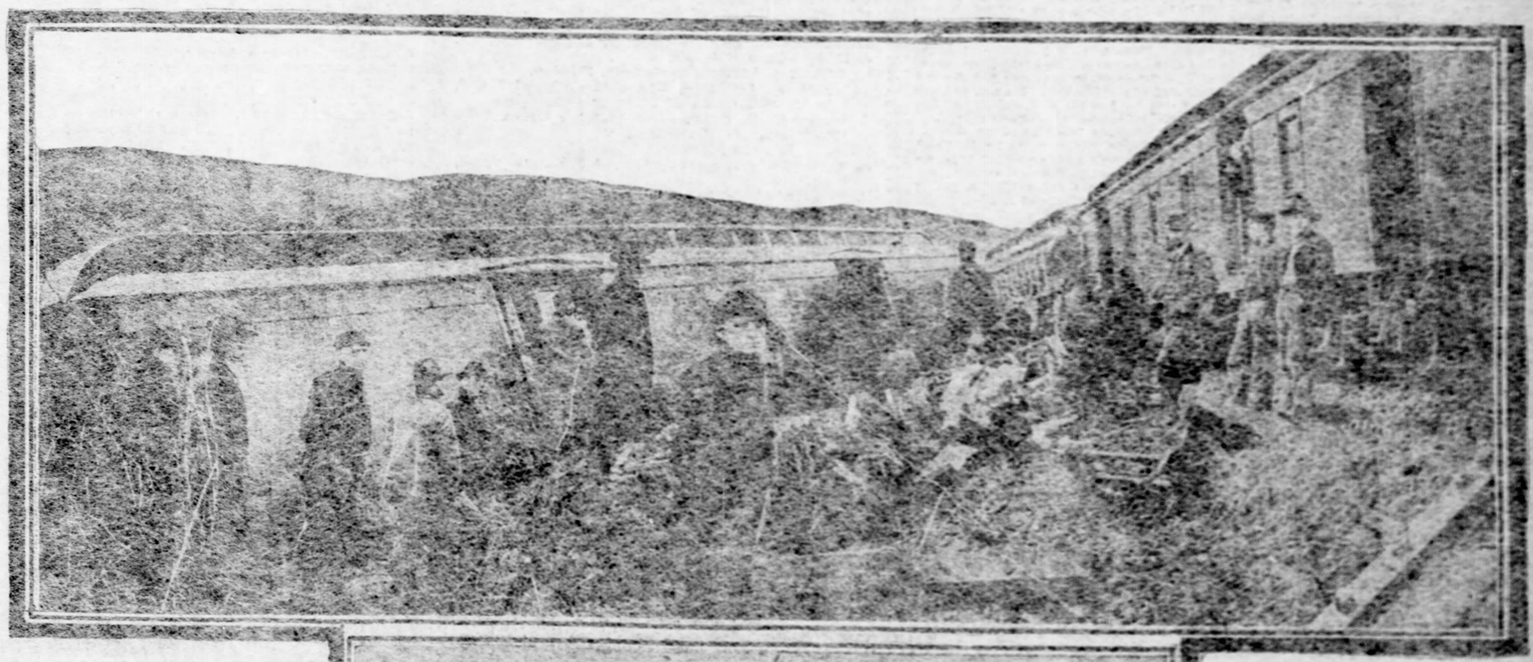
Wrecked Engine No. 1465 of Duquesne Limited, Near Dawson



Transferring Mail from the Wrecked Cars to the First Through Train for the East.

COACH PLUNGES INTO ENGINE.

PRAYERS TODAY FOR THE VICTIMS

Connellsville Churches Without Regard to Creed Will Hold Memorial Services.

BROTHER FAINTED AT BIER

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]
[From a Staff Correspondent.]

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—Home and sanctuary on Christmas day will offer up prayers for the souls of those who perished in the wreck of the Limited. The Protestant churches of the coke regions will open their doors tomorrow, when special services will be held, and after the burial of Father Carmello Fienello the Catholic churches will hold masses for the dead. With undertakers' wagons, loaded with the remains of the victims, continually driving through the streets, and the morgue doors crowded with anxious waiters, the scenes here tonight are sad. In the basement of the Church of the Immaculate Conception reposes the body of Father Fienello, and throngs of parishioners and foreigners from other towns slowly make their way before the bier, murmur a prayer, and retire.

Father J. T. Ryan of the Church of the Immaculate Conception has arranged for a mass for the dead Sunday morning. Similar services will be held at Holy Trinity and St. John the Evangelist of New Haven by Father M. A. Krupinski, as well as all of the other Catholic churches in the regions, some time between Sunday and the new year.

Funeral Rites Over Priest.

Such services would be held at the Church of the Immaculate Conception tomorrow but for the fact that Father Ryan wishes to first conclude the rites over the body of Father Fienello. Tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock the remains of the priest will be conveyed from the basement of the church into the main body of the building, and there it will remain in state until the solemn services on Saturday. At 9:30 o'clock Saturday the priests will chant the office of the dead, and at 11 a. m. solemn requiem mass will be celebrated. The interment will be immediately afterward at St. Joseph's cemetery.

The remains of Father Fiorello would have been taken to the Church of Our Lady of Mercy, of which he was pastor, but for the fact that it was only dedicated last Sunday, and besides being unfinished, its capacity is not large enough to accommodate the crowds that will attend the last services. The priest's body was removed from the undertaking establishment of J. L. Slader at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The bier was met at the

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SAD SCENES IN THE MORGUE

Woman and Babe Fall at the Feet of Dead Husband.

MOTHER FINDS HER BOY

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]
From a Staff Correspondent.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—"We are confronting the results of the most terrible railroad accident in the history of the state," said Burgess C. W. Patterson this morning, as he gazed upon the distorted forms of 31 victims in J. E. Sims' morgue.

The last of the dead were taken to Connellsville at 3 o'clock this morning, and the work of identification and preparation for burial was commenced. Burgess Patterson, Coroner A. S. Hagan, President George Porter of councils, and, in fact, every business and professional man in town, worked indefatigably all day and all night to succor the injured and to make presentable the remains of those whose lives had been snuffed out in the disaster. A corps of undertakers from Pittsburgh and another from Uniontown arrived early in the morning and assisted the local men in preparing bodies for shipment to their friends. The scenes in the morgue and at the hospital were of the saddest.

Identifying the Dead.

As the day progressed and the identity of those killed was established, the extent of the horror grew. The report that most of those who met death in Laurel Run in the smashed and burning cars of the Duquesne Limited were negroes or foreigners proved to be unfounded, and telegrams from grief-stricken friends or relatives poured in from all parts of the country.

Samuel Davidson, a traveling man of

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CORONER READY TO INVESTIGATE

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Officials Will Assist at the Inquest.

STORY TOLD BY A SURVIVOR

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]
From a Staff Correspondent.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—Coroner A. S. Hagan of Fayette county said tonight that the inquest into the deaths of the 68 victims of the Duquesne Limited wreck would not be held for a week or 10 days. No official action will be taken by the coroner until all the bodies have been identified, or all means toward this end have been exhausted. An investigation into the cause of the disaster will be made by Coroner Hagan at once. The officials of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad have offered their assistance to the coroner and an effort will be made to place the blame where it belongs.

"The investigation will probably shed no light on what we should like to discover," said Coroner Hagan tonight. "The wreck was so complete that every trace of anything that would assist an investigation has been swept away. The manner in which the timbers were dislodged from the passing freight train will probably never be known. Carelessness may have been exercised by the men who loaded the timber, or the jolting and shifting of the cars may have dislodged the ties after snapping the binders. The wreck was a most peculiar one, and I doubt if the blame can ever be placed properly."

Coroner's Jury Sworn In.

The coroner's jury, composed of John Davidson, Burgess Patterson, George E. Brown, G. R. Graff, Phil Pennellton and Robert Welsh, was sworn in today by

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SMALL FORTUNE FOUND ON BODIES OF DEAD

Many of the Victims Were Bound for Europe. Others Had Money to Spend With Friends. Robbery Story Was Exaggerated.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]
[From a Staff Correspondent.]

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—In the purses of the victims of the wreck at Laurel run a small fortune was found. Stowed away in the safes of the morgues is nearly $4,000 taken from the persons of the dead. The money, together with all personal effects, has been sealed and is being returned to friends as soon as bodies are identified and claimed. Owing to the fact that the holiday season was at hand, all the travelers were well provided with financial means.

Of the three score of passengers in the wrecked coach more than one-third were passengers bound for their old homes across the sea, and each had stowed away a snug fortune to spend during the sojourn in the land of his birth. The Italians were provided with amounts ranging from $150 to $200. The real remnance which were sealed by the disaster last night will perhaps never be known. All the foreigners were in the jolliest mood when they boarded the train at the Water street station. Some were going back home to bring their families to the new world. Others were happy in the expectation of meeting parents or sweethearts—friends, in some instances who will never know why that journey was never finished.

Packages intended for Christmas presents are numerous among the baggage of the victims. These were carefully guarded by the morgue attendants, and today some of the tokens were restored to loved ones for whom they had been intended.

The report that the bodies had been robbed caused intense feeling here last night, but an investigation revealed that the story was exaggerated. The trainmen who were engaged in carrying the bodies from the wreckage suspected one man of shoulder theft, and he was promptly arrested and driven from the place. Nothing has been missed from the remains of those that have been claimed.

JOHN P. COWAN.

Judge Wickham's Mother Injured.

BEAVER, PA., Dec. 24.—Special.—Mrs. Thomas Wickham of Brighton township fell and broke her hip today, she is the mother of Chief Justice John J. Wickham.

BODIES OF THE VICTIMS TAKEN TO THEIR HOMES

Great Crowd Assembles at the Connellsville Station to See Departure.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]
From a Staff Correspondent.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—In a downpour of rain hundreds of people gathered at the Baltimore & Ohio station tonight to see the arrival of the Duquesne Limited and the loading of 11 bodies of the victims on the train. Curiosity guided the average spectator but without there was a certain amount of respect and even reverence. The bodies which were sent by the train and their destination were as follows:

T. F. Farrant, who was general superintendent of the National Tube Company's yards at Glenwood, to Philadelphia; S. O. Hunter, who was an assistant engineer of the Baltimore & Ohio, to Point of Rocks; J. E. Powers, to Cumberland; John H. Wells, to Mt. Savage; J. W. Martin, to Hancock, Md.; Herbert Holmes, to Philadelphia; Robert Dearborn, to Philadelphia, and R. C. Gard, to Martinsburg.

Several railroad officials and the undertaker superintended the loading of the bodies and owing to the crowds and their suggestions to see everything that was going on, the train was delayed here about 45 minutes.

C. F. GRENEKER.

Confirms News of Bombardment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—General Greene, retired, in this town, Fourth Plattsburg, confirms the press dispatches that the reconcentrados have commenced that city.

RUSSIA BOWS TO ENGLAND

Hint That Japan's Demands Will Be Granted, as Britain Approves.

PEACE IS EXPECTED

British Mobilization a Powerful Factor for Satisfactory Settlement.

AMERICAN ATTACHE'S VIEW

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

Berlin, Dec. 24.—An intimation has reached the Japanese legation here that Russia will concede Japan's requests.

Inquiries made by the Associated Press as to particulars of this intimation, whether it came from Tokio or St. Petersburg, brought out nothing more than that a peaceful solution is now fairly probable.

The British government, it is understood from another source, has recommended to the czar that Great Britain deems Japan's demands just, and earnestly expects that Russia will grant them. This representation is supported by the utterances of the British ambassadors here and to Paris and Vienna, who have informed the respective governments to which they are accredited that Japan, in the opinion of the British government, will fight if Russia fails to give position before its recent acts.

The Russian ambassador here has for several days been hinting freely what the attitude of the diplomatic corps are.

Will Prepare China for War.

Yuan Shi Kai, the commander-in-chief of the Chinese army and navy, has taken steps for the rapid reorganization of the Chinese army. According to the Chinese Gazette's advices from St. Petersburg, Yuan Kai proposes to immediately create military schools with special training courses for non-commissioned officers and a cadet corps, a general staff and a military academy to be opened in 1905. The introduction of universal military service is also planned, and to go into force in the spring.

Wan Shi Kai is reported to have advised the court physicians to wait three years until the reorganization of the army is complete before declaring war on Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 24.—The Japanese minister, official circles of a pacific nature continue to exist.

was reflected today on the bourse, which largely recovered from the nervousness which has prevailed for several days.

Irritated by English Papers.

The Russian newspapers are displaying the liveliest irritation at the British press, whose anti-Russian attitude in the present Russo-Japanese dispute has aroused even greater public animosity against Great Britain than exists against Japan.

The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, has been indisposed, as the result of a chill for some days, and has had no interview with Foreign Minister Lamsdorff. Neither the members of the Japanese legation nor the other Japanese residents here are showing any signs of impending departure.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Diplomatic circles in London look for several days of dull Russo-Japanese negotiations.

The Japanese legation points out that Japan's counter proposals will positively entail somewhat prolonged consideration. Meanwhile a London Times dispatch from Tokyo, saying, "The best-informed circles in Japan do not share the pessimism which appears to prevail in London, inasmuch as the resources of diplomacy are by no means exhausted," has created a more hopeful feeling, especially as the Times Tokyo yesterday, both in its dispatches and editorial, took a warlike view of the situation.

Choate Hopeful of Peace.

Ambassador Choate, who yesterday attended Lord Lansdowne's reception at the foreign office, is among those who can hardly conceive how it is possible that some way out of the difficulty cannot be found, in order to avoid a war which "must be so disastrous to both nations and the consequences of which upon other nations cannot be foreseen."

The reported naval and military preparations on the part of Russia and Japan are regarded here as ordinary precautions which would inevitably be taken by the disputants in such a case and which have but slight bearing on the eventual result of the negotiations.

A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Tokyo says Premier Katsura and War Minister Terauchi visited the Marquis Ito, president of the privy council, and the Marquis Yamagata, chief of the council of field marshals, at their villas, this morning, two hours distant by rail from Tokyo. The meetings are believed to have been connected with important developments in the Russo-Japanese situation. The ministers returned to Tokyo this evening.

The Japanese press is urging the immediate dispatch of troops to Korea, where, it is asserted, Japanese interests are menaced by Russian military pressure in the north and Russian intrigues at Seoul.

The impression is growing in the best-informed circles that the adoption of such a policy is now inevitable.

American Attaches' Opinion.

On the supposition that Great Britain as a last resort might threaten to forcibly interfere, the United States naval attache, Capt. Charles H. Stockton, pointed out to a press representative today that Great Britain's extraordinarily developed naval mobilization at the present moment was a great factor toward peace.

"The Mediterranean fleet," said Capt. Stockton, "hovering toward Japan, is powerful. It is around Suez, half way. The British fleet now in the far east could quickly be reinforced by part or possibly even the whole of the Mediterranean fleet, while further would then be taken up by the channel squadron, leaving the home squadron in British waters. Great Britain never had so many ships in commission or men afloat as she has today."

The United States military attache, Maj. John H. Beacom, similarly pointed out that if Great Britain insisted on peace she has "behind any such demand more men of campaigning age who have been under fire than any nation on earth, a military advantage which doubtless is not overlooked by any European power."

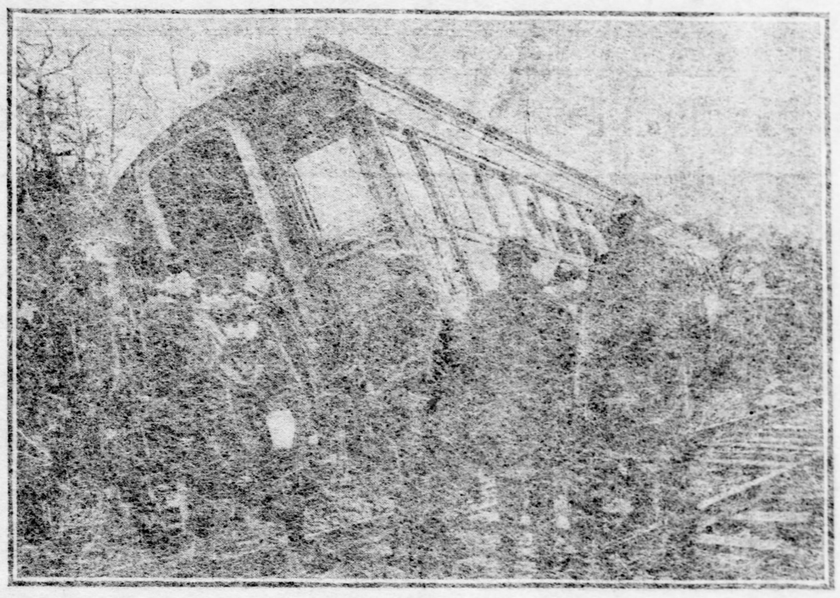
Advices by Pacific Liner.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24.—Advices were brought by the steamer Olympia of increasing reinforcements arriving in Manchuria from Russia. Correspondents at Mukden tell of the transport of troops to the southern borders toward the Korean frontier at the rate of 20 to 28 railway carriages twice a day. The total number transported toward the beginning of December was 17,000, all of whom had newly arrived from Europe. Reinforcements which had arrived at Liao-Yang had arbitrarily taken up winter quarters in Chinese temples and mercantile houses, causing great indignation and considerable suffering among the Chinese.

Orders also have been sent to hurry the Russian fleet now coming from Russia to Port Arthur and consisting of the battleship Orlabya, cruisers Aurora, Dmitri, Donksi and Alwas, several destroyers and 12 torpedo boats.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—At the request of the state department Secretary Moody today sent a cablegram to Rear Admiral Sterling, comanding the Asiatic squadron, to dispatch a warship to Chemulpo, Korea, to protect American interests there.

Scenes Near Dawson, Where the Duquesne Limited Was Wrecked



Car With Its Front Truck Knocked Off.

Digging the Overturned Engine Out of the Bank Into Which It Plunged.

SAD SCENES IN THE MORGUE

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Philadelphia, who was in Pittsburgh yesterday, arrived on an early train and identified the mangled remains of his brother Robert, who had started home last night on the ill-fated train. The story of Davidson's death is one of the saddest chapters of the disaster. He was to have been married tonight at 8 o'clock to Miss Hannah Wienman of Philadelphia, and he was hurrying home to make her his bride. Tonight his remains lie in Sims' morgue, twisted and distorted into an almost unrecognizable shape, while in the sad home in the Quaker City a young woman mourns the loss of her lover and her happiness.

Dying Lover Dictated Letter.

As pathetic in every detail is the awful end of Walter Stewart, aged 25 years, of Camden, N. J. While in the agonies of death, lying on the Baltimore & Ohio station platform last midnight, Stewart, in a weak voice, choked with pain, dictated a letter to his sweetheart, whose home is in a little town in the Jersey state. Charles Hannan, a civil engineer in the employ of the railroad, stooped sadly over the crushed and scalded body of young Stewart and took the letter as it was told him. Stewart, like Davidson, was on his way east to be married, and on Christmas the event was to be celebrated. Tomorrow his remains will reach the saddened home where a broken-hearted girl awaits them.

Mr. Hannan refused to reveal the name of the young woman or her place of residence, but tears stood in his eyes as Stewart grasped his hand in his blistered fingers and prayed for a blessing on him who had rendered this last kind service.

Crowds at the Morgue.

All day long a morbid crowd thronged Pittsburgh street in front of Sims' morgue, where most of the dead lie. The police were utterly powerless to control the mob, and at 1 o'clock this afternoon the doors were opened and the public permitted to file through the big room and gaze for a few minutes at the horribly burned and crushed features of the dead. Not one who was in the smoking car escaped death or serious injury, and all were so frightfully scalded by steam that their identity could but in few cases be established by a look at the features. The flesh of most of the victims had been literally cooked by the escape of the steam from the engine. Eyes had been burned out; many lost hands and ears, and not one bore any resemblance to the appearance they presented in life.

While a curious throng clamored at the doors of Sims' morgue shortly after 3 o'clock in the afternoon a woman with strained face and dry eyes struggled through the door. At the sight of her the crowd fell back and a passage was opened to the door.

Found Her Dead Boy.

Here she stopped, fearful to enter, for her mother intuition had foretold the terrible sadness that was to befall her. Hesitatingly she crossed the threshold and walked between two long rows of disfigured dead. On a little wicker couch in the rear of the room lay the form of a small boy. His face was covered. Nothing about his clothes, from his shoes to his collar, gave any indication that he had struggled for life in a car filled with death-dealing steam. Catching sight of the clothes, the mother gave a low moan, and, snatching the white cloth from the face of the lad, fell prostrate across the still form of her boy. It was little Barney Murphey, who lived with his mother at Trotter. He had gone to Pittsburgh yesterday to buy some presents for his mother and baby sister. His absence last night worried the mother, but not until this morning, when she heard of the wreck, did she suspect how cruelly fate had dealt with her.

"Oh, my poor little boy," she moaned. "I can never forget that awful look on his pretty face."

Calling for Her Boy.

Burgess Patterson led her sadly away, and through the streets of Connellsville tonight a lone woman wandered, hopelessly calling the name of her little Barney. The body of the lad, who was 11 years old, will be taken to the mother's home tomorrow.

Perhaps the most touching and pathetic scene enacted followed the entrance of Mrs. Ella Langford of Rockwood, Pa., whose husband, Charles, was scalded to death, his body resting almost above the steam-dome that emitted the fatal stream. Langford had been married little more than a year. When his young wife was informed today that her husband had been killed she hurried to Connellsville, refusing to believe the awful news.

"Oh, no, Charley is not dead," she said, as she pushed her way through the crowd to the door of the morgue. In her arms she carried her infant child. Those in charge of the morgue did not know the woman. The mangled form of a man, with horribly distorted features, was being lifted into a casket.

With a scream the woman dropped at the feet of her dead husband, the baby falling with her. Both were picked up and carried to a nearby store, the child crying bitterly at the failure of its mother to for the first time in its short life, to comfort it with her words and smile. This incident resulted in the locking of the doors of the morgue, and many of the morbid crowd turned quietly away, saddened by the pitiful things they had seen.

Later in the afternoon Jerry Ritenour, a wealthy old farmer of Trotter, walked past the feet of 27 dead men, and stopping suddenly, gazed intently for a moment at the swollen features of an elderly man.

"That is my old friend, E. O. Riley of Philadelphia, who was coming to spend the holidays with me," said he.

Reilly was one of the last identified. For a year past he had been working on the construction of some coke ovens in the coke region of West Virginia. This morning Mr. Ritenour received a letter from Reilly, who informed his old friend that he was on his way to spend the holidays with him at the old farm. From there he was going to his home in Philadelphia.

Intended to Retire.

Reilly had made money in the West Virginia field and had intended spending the remainder of his years in retirement. At the morgue $300 in cash was found in his clothes.

President W. C. Loree of the Baltimore & Ohio was in his office early today and kept in touch with this place by telegraph. Early this morning he telegraphed Burgess Patterson inquiring into what provision the local undertakers had for taking care of the dead. He gave orders to spare no expense in taking care of the injured and dead and was assured that everything would be done that was possible.

J. E. WRIGHT.

Complete Roster of the Dead and Injured.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 24.—The list of dead in last night's disaster, corrected by the Baltimore & Ohio railroad officials after comparisons with the coroner and the undertakers, is complete as follows:

CHARLES W. WAGNER, Berkley, W. Va.
M. K. SMITH, division operator, Connellsville, Pa.
J. H. WILLS, Pittsburgh.
CHARLES KILLAND, Christiana, Sweden.
THOMAS M. ZIPPLER, had card of Local No. 6, International Union of Elevator Constructors.
J. W. MARTIN, fireman for Western Union Telegraph Company, Connellsville.
W. A. KALP, Mt. Pleasant.
A. C. BARNARD, an engraver, 420 Dewey street, Knoxville.
B. F. SMALLWOOD, newsboy, 32 Maryland street, Cumberland, Md.
H. S. RUSH, Pittsburgh.
F. B. NOLKER, Elkridge, W. Va.
LEWIS HELGOTH, conductor of wrecked train, 218 Trowbridge street, Pittsburgh.
WILLIAM EDWARDS, Cumberland, Md.
CHARLES E. KEFFER, Berlin, Pa.
SYLVESTER ZINKAID, Chase, W. Va.
ROBERT DAVIDSON, Philadelphia, Pa.
J. W. BEISER, Berkley Spring, W. Va.
J. W. KECZNER, Cumberland, Md.
JOHN ANDERSON, New York.
JOHN SEAMAN, New York.
WILLIAM BRAZYN, colored, Redbank, N. J.
JAMES FOX, colored, address unknown.
W. A. GOOD, McKeesport.
J. G. WINKLER, West Mount, Pa.
J. W. SHUPE, Mt. Pleasant.
HAROLD P. MORRISON, 181 Flower street, Pittsburgh.
G. F. RHEIN, Baltimore, Md.
HORACE GARD, Martinsburg, W. Va.
CARMEN MITCHELL, address unknown.
VICTOR VIOL, Rochester, Pa.
T. J. FARNAN, Philadelphia, Pa.
WALTER STUART, Camden, N. J.
M. MYEROWITCH, Johnstown, Pa.
EDISON GOLDSMITH, aged 24, Connellsville, Pa.
JOHN. K. POWERS, Cumberland, Md.
WILLIAM SHEELY, Patterson Creek, W. Va.
THE REV. FATHER C. A. FRENELLO, pastor of the Lady of Mt. Carmel Roman Catholic church, Connellsville, Pa.
CHARLES W. GREY, Trenton, N. J.
HERBERT HOLMES, Emlenton, Pa.
RICHARD DUCKETT, Kansas street, Pittsburgh.
STEPHEN G. HEATER, Kansas street, Pittsburgh.
A. G. PROTZMAN, Trenton, N. J.
B. MURRAY, Pittsburgh, Pa.
J. J. COOK, fireman, Carrick.
WILLIAM THORNLEY, engineer, 4905 Lytle street, Pittsburgh.
C. GESHO, address unknown.
LEWIS STANER, address unknown.
JOHN SZELHAUST, Rochester, N. Y.
J. E. EDGERLY, Butler, Pa.
JAMES MOSKOWITZ, address unknown.
E. REYNOLDS, York, Pa., has one cork leg.
W. M. PATTERSON, Dunbar, Pa.
LEO WUBBLER, Beaver Falls, Pa.
PROSPERO FRANCISCA, Allegheny; had ticket for Rome, Italy.
JAMES COCKLAY, Rochester, Pa.
J. T. TWILLEY, Brooklyn, N. Y.
EDWARD G. REILLY, aged 60 years; lived at 1634 North Patton street, Philadelphia; identified by Jerry C. Ritenour of Trotter.
BERNARD MURRY, aged 16 years, the son of a well-known riverman of Trotter; was identified at the morgue by his mother.
CHARLES E. LANGFORD of Rockwood; about 35 years of age.
FOUR BODIES UNIDENTIFIED; supposed to be foreigners.

Three of the injured at the Cottage State hospital in Connellsville have about equal chances between life and death. They are believed to have inhaled the hot steam and there is danger of acute pneumonia developing. Those at the hospital are:

EDWARD KEIFER, Somerset; aged 32 years; seriously scalded and bruised.
JESSE HINES of Tarboro, N. C.; 27 years of age; left arm amputated.
HARRY DEVLIN, Lonaconing, Md.; 30 years of age; terribly scalded.

The other injured, which included Thomas Domn, the intrepid Pittsburgh baggage master, who proved himself the hero of the hour, were able to return to their homes or continue their journeys. Domn is suffering from the shock and is bruised from head to foot, but insisted on spending Christmas with his family, and this morning declared that he would leave the hospital, and, suiting the action to the word, deliberately walked to the train and arrived back home among his loved ones. A score of persons were more or less injured, but soon left the scene after having their wounds attended by physicians or nurses.

JOHN P. COWAN.

MOURNING IN HOMES OF TWO RAILROAD MEN

Both Had Been Expecting a Merry Time Today at Their Homes.

William Thornley, the dead engineer, lived with his wife and family at 4905 Lytle street, Hazelwood. He had expected to spend Christmas with his family, and among his last words upon leaving his wife was to the effect that she should have everything ready for the celebration, and that he would bring home some of the necessary delicacies when he came. His wife was prostrated by the news of her husband's death.

Thornley had a family of four children, Edward and Lucy live at home, and Mrs. Orphie Marlowe, another daughter, lives near the family home in Lytle street. Another daughter, Mrs. Rebecca McCord, resides with her husband in Moundsville, W. Va.

Thornley had been an engineer on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad for 22 years, and had run the Duquesne Limited ever since it had been put on the road. He was an active member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and of the Masons. The latter organization will have charge of the funeral services on Sunday afternoon and the interment will be at Homewood.

Lewis Helgoth, the conductor of the train, lived at 22 Trowbridge street, Glenwood, and leaves a widow and two children. He was 45 years old and had been in the service of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad for 21 years. He was a member of the Masons and an active communicant of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Glenwood. The remains were taken to his home yesterday afternoon and will later be taken to Cumberland, his former home and his birthplace, for burial.

On Wednesday Helgoth stopped at the Hazelwood bank and left his book to be balanced. He was accompanied by his little daughter, whom he was taking into town to show the Christmas decorations in the store windows and to buy gifts. Mr. Helgoth told the cashier that he would stop in the morning to get his book, but he is now numbered among the victims of the wreck.

Conductor Lewis Helgoth.

Engineer William Thornley.

VENTOR'S LIFE WAS SAVED BY ABSENCE OF CLERK

William Ventor, a McKees Rocks business man, is another of those who meant to go to Connellsville Wednesday on the Duquesne Limited, but didn't. Mr. Ventor and his wife had intended visiting Mr. Ventor's brother-in-law, George Staut, of Connellsville, over Christmas. On Wednesday morning his clerk failed to put in an appearance, and he decided to stay at home.

PRAYERS TODAY FOR THE VICTIMS

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doors of the church by four fathers, who bore the casket into the basement.

Brother Fainted at the Bier.

The body is clothed in purple sacerdotal robes, holding in its hands a chalice. At the head of the bier is a magnificent candelabra, while above is a crucifix.

Late this afternoon, as the stream of people passed in review, the two brothers of the dead priest, John and James Flenniken, wholesale fruit dealers of Morgantown, were ushered into the basement. They had come in response to a telegram. Leaning on the arms of the fathers the mourners slowly made their way to the bier. The sight was too much. The withered, scorched face, the odor of incense, the low murmuring of the people about and the realization of the fearful suffering the man underwent, overtaxed the powers of the brothers and before a hand could be raised one of them fell in a swoon. There was a startled exclamation, and the other man staggered and was caught in the embrace of a priest.

C. P. GRUNEKER.

YOUNG WIFE LEFT ALONE.

Visiting in New York and Her Husband Was on His Way to Meet Her.

One of the saddest of the deaths in Wednesday night's accident was that of Harold B. Morrison. He was 24 years old and was on his way to rejoin his wife in New York city. The young couple had been married but four months, and during that time had boarded at 181 Flower avenue.

About six weeks ago Mrs. Morrison left to visit friends near New York, and Morrison was on his way to that city to meet her and settle there permanently. He left Pittsburgh on Wednesday afternoon full of bright hopes for the future of himself and wife, and had with him all of his worldly capital. The young and inexperienced widow is left without resources.

Friends here in the city do not know the address of the young widow, nor of the mother of the deceased, who is thought to live in Montreal.

ON ROAD TO NEW YORK TO MEET HIS BRIDE

While on his way to New York to claim his sweetheart, who had crossed the ocean from her home in England to meet him, W. A. Good of McKeesport met death on the unfortunate Baltimore & Ohio train Wednesday night. Good had completely furnished a cozy nest in Estes street, McKeesport, where today he was to have been wedded to Miss Lillian Bennett of Staffordshire, England.

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CORONER READY TO INVESTIGATE

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Coroner Hagan in Sims morgue. These men will hear the testimony and will determine the cause of the death of the 48 men.

George B. Brown, president of the board of health, superintended the shipping of the bodies of the dead whose relatives requested by telegraph that their remains be forwarded. The remains of the following were shipped today: G. W. Beiser, Berkeley Springs, W. Va.; J. W. Kitzner, Cumberland, Md.; Richard Ducket, Baltimore, Md.; Stephen G. Heater, Pointed Rocks, Pa.; Charles E. Langford, Rockwood, Pa.; S. D. Good, McKeesport; William Edwards, Cumberland, Md., J. J. Cook, McKeesport; B. F. Smallwood, Cumberland, Md.; J. Wade Shupe, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; W. A. Kalp, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; Lewis Helgoth, Pittsburgh; William Thornley, Hazelwood; Robert Davidson, Philadelphia.

It is remarkable that many of the men lying in the morgue today had their arms raised slightly above their heads and in front of their faces. It was apparent that these, in the awful moment when the steam rushed into the prostrate coach, instinctively threw up their hands as if to protect their faces from the blinding, killing vapor.

Shipped on Fatal Train.

A ghastly coincident occurred tonight when the remains of four of the men who met their deaths in the wreck of the Duquesne Limited last night were shipped to their eastern homes on the Duquesne Limited tonight.

In the Cottage State hospital today the women of Connellsville, unable to assist in working with the dead, turned their attention to the injured. By noon only three remained, all the others having died. The remaining victims were Edward Keefer of Somerset, Pa.; Jesse Heins, colored, of Tarboro, N. C., and Harry Devlin of Lonaconing, Md. Heins had his right wrist so badly mangled that the physicians have decided that it will be necessary to amputate the hand. Devlin is badly burned and his feet are crushed. Keefer is in a critical condition and it is feared pneumonia will set in and be fatal. Keefer inhaled considerable steam and his lungs are affected. Lying on a couch this afternoon at the hospital Keefer told feebly of his terrible experience. He said:

"Yesterday I gave up my job as brakeman on the Baltimore & Ohio and accepted a position with the Western Union. I started home to spend Christmas with father and mother and was carrying some presents. Being a railroader, I realized what had happened just as soon as the jolting of the train commenced.

"I lay in the aisle of the car and held on with both hands. Then came the crash, and an instant later the rush of steam. I kept my head, and although almost overcome with the scalding steam, I managed to crawl over several prostrate men and get out of a window. I was unconscious for several minutes, but soon recovered and remember helping three men to come out of the window through which I escaped. Then I became unconscious again and woke up here. It was the most horrible thing anyone can imagine—worse than anyone who was not in it will ever know."

Tonight Keefer lapsed into a condition of semi-consciousness. The Rev. Dr. W. H. Watson of the First Christian church visited the young man several times, and this evening placed a small bouquet of white carnations on his breast. Unconscious of this, Keefer lies perfectly still, the rattle in his throat testifying to the fearful effects of the steam he inhaled.

Much credit is due the Rev. Dr. Watson and the Rev. Father Burns of the Catholic church. All last night and through out the day the two labored, knowing no sect or religious creed. The dying moments of those who passed away in the hospital were made easier by the words of hope and the prayers of the two sorrowing men.

J. E. WRIGHT.

Sad End of Manila Hero.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Frederick M. Cushing, a naval veteran of the battle of the Manila Bay, was today sentenced to life imprisonment for shooting his wife during a quarrel on July 21 last.

WOUNDED RAILROADER WHO SAVED A TRAIN

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RESCUERS WERE FEW.

Passenger on Train Says That Most of the Men Fled.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 24.—Andrew Haas, proprietor of the Haas hotel, who was on the wrecked train, says: "As soon as the first shock of the accident was over all the men on the train alighted. Some of them ran to Dawson and left only a few to continue the rescue work. Within a few minutes I heard women and children crying and screaming upon the mountain side, whither they had fled from the wreck. The groans of the people who were dying in the smoker were awful. We did everything in our power to get them out quickly but there was such a pitiful small number to help.

"We made drinking cups of oranges, of which we found a few on the train, but there were not enough to go around, and frequently we could not recover the improvised cups from the hands of the injured. I never saw men die such horrible deaths."

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Office of County Commissioners:

Appeals from the triennial assessment of 1904, for the following districts: Hays borough, Spring Garden borough, Fine township, Second ward, Millvale, Fifth ward, Carnegie, January 4, 1904. Harrison township, Aspinwall borough, Versailles township, Sharpsburg borough, Reserve township, Etna borough, Fawn township, Indiana township, Marshall township, Wilkins township, Penn township, will be held at this office until January 4, 1904.

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PRIMARIES WILL BE UNNECESSARY

Thirty-Second Ward Republicans Have Decided Upon Their Candidates.

TROUBLE IN THE SIXTEENTH

Thirty-second ward Republicans have suggested their candidates. The suggestion meeting acted so harmoniously that it will be unnecessary to hold primaries. There is every reason for believing that the candidates will have the support of Mayor W. B. Hays and his friends.

The suggestion meeting, the first held by the Republican party in the city, was convened in the headquarters in Grandview avenue. George H. Waggoner presided at the gathering. There was a big turnout at the meeting. John Howarth was named for select councilman and James Reed for common councilman. Reed had originally intended to be a candidate for a seat in the upper branch of the municipal legislature. For good reasons he decided to step aside in favor of Howarth. Andrew Engel, Sr., an old Soffel supporter, was suggested for ward assessor. Engel made a speech in which he announced his intention to work for the Republican ticket. The nominees for school director are David Bissett and Louis H. Vandergrift. Many of the former Soffel supporters are working for the Republican ticket and it would not be surprising if Jacob Soffel, Jr., who has been named by the Citizens for select councilman, would withdraw.

The Orphan, Citizens and Democratic deal in the Sixteenth ward may be declared off. Thomas O'Brien, the Orphan leader of the ward, succeeded in having a committee of 10 from each of the three parties name a ticket. He was nominated for select councilman and the other places went to the Citizens and Democrats. Mayor Hays at once announced that the nominations were not legal so far as the Citizens and Democrats were concerned. This caused a number of Citizens in the ward to withdraw their support from the combination ticket.

Now the ticket is going to pieces. Richard Muse, who was nominated on behalf of the Citizens for common councilman, has withdrawn. This was followed by the declination of Dr. Frank Kenworthy for school director. Yesterday Thomas A. Dodson and others, representing the combination, filed an affidavit in the courts claiming the exclusive use of the Citizens party name in the Sixteenth ward.

Charles W. Pratt, of the Nineteenth ward, is said to be the choice of Thomas S. Bigelow for one of the Citizens party candidates for common councilman. He is connected with the National Supply Company.

The voters of the Fourth ward, Braddock last evening held a meeting at 410 Corey avenue, Braddock, and nominated these ward officers: Council, Andrew G. Shephard; school director, William J. Boll; assessor, George Metheny; judge of election, Charles Visi.

WERE FREE WITH GUNS.

Four Christmas Celebrators Were Too Reckless With Their Revolvers.

Joseph Parker, whose home is in a shanty boat at the foot of South Seventeenth street, was arrested last night for flourishing a revolver in a South Side saloon and daring all in the place to "draw and defend himself."

Arthur McGeorge of Smallman street and G. D. Kelly of 3003 Mulberry alley, both colored, got into a fight in Thirtieth street last night over some money. Both men had drawn guns when Officer John Dyer arrested them. Kelly threw his gun away, but the one belonging to McGeorge was secured.

A man whose name was placed on the docket as John Polish, fired several shots in Steinlocker alley last night and was locked up in No. 5 police station as a suspicious person.

OLD ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL TO BE TORN DOWN AT ONCE

Contract for Razing the Structure Has Been Awarded and 200 Men Will Be Put to Work Next Week.

St. Paul's cathedral, which has stood for nearly 50 years as a landmark in Pittsburgh, will be razed at once. The contract for tearing down the great structure has been awarded to Kerr & Fox, who will start 200 men at work next week. It is estimated that the task will require three months to complete and that the work will cost $50,000.

The letting of the contract is the first definite information that has been given out regarding H. C. Frick's plans for improving his Grant street holdings, which include, with the exception of 545, all the frontage on the west side of the street from Fifth to Sixth avenue. No intimation has been given of what will be erected on the cathedral site. Rumor has been running riot for months concerning this point, and a hotel, department store, office building and railroad station have been repeatedly built on paper to take the place of the cathedral. The last-named report has gained most credence of late, although officials of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company deny it flatly, and some engineers declare it is impracticable to attempt such a project in the face of the grade between Fifth avenue and the Union station.

The contractors have orders to raze the cathedral, school house and parochial residence as rapidly as possible. This will clear the entire square bounded by Fifth avenue, Grant street, Virgin and Cherry alleys, making a site 240 feet square. The contract calls for excavations only to the bottom of the present foundations. It is not known whether plans have been drawn for a new building or to what depth the new site will be excavated finally. It is not generally believed that a building will be erected to cover an entire square, but that the Fifth avenue frontage will be improved first. Owing to the high prices of building materials and the uncertainty prevailing among the building trades, it is known that Mr. Frick has been reluctant to start any building, and the latter cause may make him defer building until next fall.

St. Paul's cathedral was started in 1852, seven years after the great fire. On June 24, 1855, it was formally dedicated, Archbishop Hughes preaching the dedicatory sermon and Archbishop Kenrick officiating. Much of the interior furnishing was removed from the building last spring, when the parishioners started to worship in the Church of the Epiphany, Washington street, pending the erection of the costly temple of worship at Fifth avenue and Craig street. The age and importance of the old cathedral make it a sacred place to many of the older parishioners, and it is expected that hundreds of relics will be saved from the ruins, which were advertised for sale yesterday.

OLD POINT BRIDGE IS AGAIN THREATENING

Bad Sag in the Roadway Makes It Necessary to Restrict Travel.

The old Point suspension bridge is again in a condition that is serious and threatening. Early last evening one of the cross beams, about 100 feet from the pier at the south end of the structure, sank about five inches and the roadway sagged with it. An order was at once issued forbidding heavy wagons passing over the bridge, though it is said no immediate danger is anticipated.

The Pittsburgh Railways Company's officials as soon as they learned of what had occurred, took the precaution of issuing an order restraining the passage of cars on the bridge to one at a time and that at a greatly reduced speed. This condition is likely to greatly handicap travel to the West End and the Chartiers valley suburbs, thereby causing much inconvenience and annoyance.

Presents in Frick Building.

Over 200 employes of the Frick building last night received substantial Christmas reminders that their excellent services were appreciated. At 7 o'clock Supt. D. B. Kinch called the employes together and in a neat address presented everyone of them with a souvenir envelope decorated with holly and containing $5. In addition to this general award special prizes were given out to the employes who had made the best record in the "Bureau of Neatness," which Mr. Kinch organized last July.

Merrymaking at the Heinz Plant.

The twenty-sixth annual Christmas entertainment of the employes of the H. J. Heinz Company was held in the auditorium at the main plant yesterday. The works were closed down at noon, and at 2 o'clock the employes assembled in the hall, where vocal and instrumental music and recitations were rendered by the employes. This was followed by some presentations to members of the firm and the distribution of presents to employes. This year each one received an umbrella.

Workmen's Large Christmas Pays.

Wages amounting to $2,500,000 were paid out this week to the 30,000 employes of the mills and factories in the lower Monongahela and Turtle creek valleys. This is the largest distribution of Christmas pays in some years.

TROLLEY CAR PLUNGED DOWN INTO A CELLAR

Midnight Accident at Pitcairn in Which Five Persons Had Lucky Escapes.

Five persons riding on a trolley car had a narrow escape from serious injury in Pitcairn last midnight. Car No. 1047, on the Pitcairn and Trafford City division of the Pittsburgh Railways Company was making its last run from Trafford City and was running at a high speed when the curve at the corner of Broadway and Brinton avenue, in Pitcairn, was reached.

Motorman John Andrews was unable to check the speed of the car as it neared the curve and the momentum of the car caused it to jump the track. The breaks seemed to have no effect and the car tore across the broad pavement of Broadway, a distance of fully 75 feet, mounted the curb of the sidewalk and plunged down a distance of about 15 feet into the excavation made for the cellar of a four-story building that is to be erected at that point.

The car went down with a fearful crash and those who heard the noise hurried to the spot expecting to find all on the car unconscious at least. Instead, the only one whose injuries were at all severe was Harry Williams of Trafford City, a passenger, who had his right arm fractured. Two other passengers, Motorman Andrews and Conductor Charles McCullough, were bruised and slightly cut by flying glass, but none was severely injured.

Santa Claus Up to Date.

Old Saint Nick last night stopped his French racing auto at the Institution for the Blind in Bellefield avenue. When the children awoke this morning they found dolls and toys of every description, together with boxes of candy. Horns and whistles awoke the echoes of the corridors, while the sounds of scampering feet told of many visits being made. Nearly half of the pupils in the institution went home on Wednesday and Thursday to spend Christmas, but nearly 50 were left.

Rearrested on His Release.

John Gallagher of 6440 Glenn avenue was arrested as he left the workhouse yesterday, charged with the larceny of a lot of tools. He was found with the tools about a month ago and was sent up for 20 days on suspicion. Later a Mt. Washington contractor recognized the articles as his own and made the information.

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A lot of odd styles of Music Boxes, both new and used, at one-half regular value. Also the new Mira, Stella and Regina Music Boxes at prices from $7.50 up, which may be secured on one dollar first payment, and balance in easy payments. Swiss Music Boxes with interchangeable tunes. Regular price $150—now $85

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A general closing out of the remainder of our Christmas line of all string instruments at one-third to one-half less than regular prices.

$5 Mandolins at $3.50.
$6.50 Mandolins at $4.25.
$10 Mandolins at $6.50.
$15 Mandolins at $9.
$20 Mandolins at $13.50.
Some odd styles, $30, $40, $50, $60, at Half price.

VIOLINS.

$3.50 Violins now $2.10.
$7 Violins now $3.90.
$12 Violins now $6.25.
$20 Violins now $11.
$30 Violins now $15.50.
$40 Violins now $24.
$75 Violins now $41.

DRUMS.

From 50c to $50 at a third off.

CORNETS.

$12 Cornets now $8.
$20 Cornets now $12.75.
$30 Cornets now $18.
$60 Cornets now $32.50.

FLUTES.

$5 Flutes at $3.10.
$10 Flutes at $6.
$18 Flutes at $11.
$30 Flutes at $18.

CASES.

For all musical instruments reduced.

75c and $1.00 Felt covers now 45c and 60c.

$1.50 and $2.50 Canvas cases now 90c and $1.50.

$3.50 and $4.00 Wooden cases now $1.65 and $2.50.

$4.00, $5.00, $8.00, $12.00 Leather cases now $2.90, $3.75, $5.50, $7.90.

Some few special presentation cases at exactly half price.

MUSIC ROLLS

And Music Satchels at exactly one-half regular prices, beginning at 25c and up to $12. Some unusual bargains in this offering. All standard leathers, including Seal, Kangaroo, Kid, etc., in various colors.

GUITARS.

The same reductions apply to our line of Guitars.

$6 Guitars now $4.25.
$10 Guitars now $6.60.
$15 Guitars now $9.90.
$20 Guitars now $13.50.
$25 Guitars now $16.90.

S. Hamilton, 335-337 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh

Weather—Rain or Snow.

JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Friday, December 25, 1903.

Today, Christmas, the Store Is Closed.

With grateful thanks for our wonderfully large holiday business, we cordially wish to all who have thronged our store

A Merry Christmas.

May all enjoy this great day and rejoice in all the good fellowship it brings.

Tomorrow We Begin Cleaning Out Our Holiday Stocks.

An Effective and Generous Clip Given Prices.

Most everybody has an eye on the after sales of Christmas. We make it a point to always put almost give-away prices on left-over lines of holiday goods. In this instance not only are strictly holiday goods reduced, but also some lines of everyday goods are introduced for telling reductions in prices. Following are some of the more prominent lines on which the prices have been reduced.

Clean-Up of Holiday Skirt and Dress Patterns.

The left-overs from our extensive holiday sale—some boxed, some in the piece. Mostly mohairs, cheviots, zibelines, fancy tweeds and cashmeres. At the reductions named it is quite likely the lines will be closed out tomorrow—therefore an early visit is advisable.

We also announce the following at reduced prices.

75c a yard fancy mohairs, 50c a yard.

65c plain cheviots, 50c a yard.

55c Shepherd Checks, 39c a yard.

Black Skirt and Dress Patterns Half Price.

Never sold in the Christmas season so many black dress goods as in the present one, consequently many dress and skirt lengths left.

Today every dress and skirt pattern in stock goes into this after-Christmas clearance for just half price.

After Christmas Clean-Up of Linens.

No department experienced more spirited buying during the holiday rush, lots of people received decorative linens for presents. A fairly large stock of fancy linens left over, which we don't intend to carry, and consequently do some price-cutting that will send them out in short order. Here are a few of the cut prices—

15c each for Hand Embroidered Tenerilfe and Renaissance Lace Doylies that were formerly 25c and 35c.

25c each for Hemstitched Scarfs—18x36 inches, that were formerly 35c.

$1.75 each for Renaissance Lace Scarfs—20x54 inches, that were formerly $2.25.

$3.00 each for Renaissance Lace Centers—30x30 inches—former price $5.00 each.

HALF PRICE for Hand Embroidered Japanese Scarfs and Squares—half prices for Cluny Lace Scarfs—half prices for Cluny Lace Centers.

50c each for odd lines of Fancy Towels that were soiled by too much handling; 75c and 85c were the former prices.

HALF PRICE for French hand embroidered Towels—knotted fringe.

Price Cutting Among Novelties in Furniture Department.

All goods in this fifth floor department which may be classed as strictly holiday goods will be closed out at sacrifice prices—

Decorated Leather Mats for Tables at half prices: those that were $3.50 for $1.75; those that were $7.50 for $3.75.

All Pipe Racks at half price—those that were $2.25 for $1.12; those that were $5.00 for $2.50.

All Framed Tapestry Panels at half prices—Those that were $3.50 for $1.75 and so on up to panels that were $40.00 for $20.00.

Cuckoo Clocks at one-third off—$7.50 clocks for $5.00; $10.00 clocks for $6.65, and on up to $18.00 clocks for $12.00.

Waistings and Waist Patterns.

Remarkable underprices to be had here. A saving of one-half and sometimes even two-thirds is certainly a much-to-be-sought one.

Elderdown Flannelette—regular 15c quality for 5c yard.

Kimono Suiting, the 15c quality, at 7½c a yard.

French Printed Flannels—choicest Persian designs, 35c quality, for 25c a yard.

100 Waist Patterns showing the effects of holiday handling—regular $1.00 patterns for 35c cents.

Laces, Half Marked Prices.

Some tempting after-Christmas picking—table full of short ends of various laces. Pay half what the price calls for.

Specimen Clean-Up Prices in the China and Bric-a-Brac Department.

To lovers of all that is beautiful in art it is a treat to look through our third floor, East Store. It will be a further treat to buy such things as mentioned below—only a brief mention, backed up by many more offers of like nature—at such surprisingly reduced prices:

Hand painted China Salads, Bon Bon Dishes, Nut Bowls, Cups and Saucers, Mayonnaise Bowls and Plates, Marmalade Jars and Plates, in such rich decorations as natural flowers and abundance of handsome gold trimming—all at ONE-THIRD OFF.

All those slender grotesque plastic figures, modeled in Berlin, for 50c instead of $1.00.

About 600 of those Oriental Vases with dark body, worth from $1.00 to $3.00, divided into two groups for quick clearance—50c for those worth up to $1.50, and $1.00 for those worth up to $3.00.

Tomorrow a Great Sale of Men's and Boy's Clothing.

A List Showing Reduced Prices Seldom Introduced at This Period of the Season.

Without waiting for the regular mark-down time to come around we go right into the Men's and Boy's Clothing and pull the prices down with an amazing clip on every grade of suits and overcoats.

The man who does not need a suit or an overcoat at present, or who has boys who are well supplied with winter clothing, will be justified in taking advantage of this special sale and getting clothes for next winter. To men who keenly await the mark-down time on clothes, this is their opportunity.

$10.00 suits and overcoats for $ 6.75
$12.00 suits and overcoats for $ 8.50
$15.00 suits and overcoats for $11.50
$18.00 suits and overcoats for $13.50
$20.00 suits and overcoats for $15.00
$22.00 suits and overcoats for $17.00
$25.00 suits and overcoats for $20.00
$28.00 suits and overcoats for $22.00
$30.00 suits and overcoats for $24.00

And through the still finer grades at similar reductions. It will be noticed that this is not a fragment sale, but includes our entire line of fine clothing. There is every style of business suit, and there is ever style of overcoats, and there is every style of cloth used in the making of suits and overcoats.

Men's finest trousers, one-fourth off—beginning at $2.60 for a $3.50 grade of trousers and running up to $7.50 for a $10.00 grade.

Suits and overcoats for young men also come in for strong reductions in price—after the manner following—

$12.50 and $14.00 Suits and Overcoats for $10.00
$15.00 and $16.00 Suits and Overcoats for $12.75
$18.00 and $20.00 Suits and Overcoats for $15.00

And all through every style of winter clothes for young men up to $30.00 suits and overcoats reduced to $24.00.

Big and little boys' Suits and Overcoats suffer the same reductions in price as the clothes for their elders. There are double-breasted and Norfolk and three-piece knee suits at these reductions.

$5.00 and $6.00 Overcoats and Suits reduced to $4.00
$7.00 Overcoats and Suits reduced to $5.00
$8.00 and $9.00 Suits and Overcoats reduced to $6.50
$10.00 Suits and Overcoats reduced to $7.50

The Sweeping Reductions Comforts.

Here also are the most radical of reductions most evident, some will be closed out at half prices, some for one-third of the original marked prices—

Pink Satin Comforts, down filled, real hand-made lace trimmings, were $45.00, closing out price, $15.00.

Printed Florentine Silk Down Comforts; were $16.50, closing out price $12.00.

Any of our Fancy Sheets and Pillow Case Sets that have brought as much as $3.50 the set—choice of the assortment at $2.00.

California Blankets Half Off

In the tremendous crush of holiday buying some of our finest blankets received rough handling. Some became badly mussed, others soiled.

To clean up this stock we will offer the entire line of California Blankets at exactly half price.

$25.00 California Blankets at $12.50.
$20.00 California Blankets at $10.00.

and so on. This cut also applied to sample blankets.

Clearance of Holiday Silks.

Following are three lines of $1.00 and $1.25 values in silks that you can buy tomorrow for 65c a yard.

Printed Foulards, Printed Shanghais, Liberty Satin Imprime.

Black Silks.

At 58c a yard tomorrow we will sell a 75c grade of Swiss make Black Taffeta, rich and lustrous.

At 68c a yard tomorrow we will sell $1.00 grade of 45-inch Black Grenadine.

Mousseline de Soie, 25c a Yard.

Bought this filmy cotton and silk fabric expressly for holiday gifts. There is plain material and polka dot effects for choice. The color assortment is somewhat broken. And that's why we say 25c a yard.

Clearance of Dress Linings.

All mussed and broken lines of fine dress linings will be sold to-morrow for 25c a yard, comprising the following:

35c to 58c Silk Taffeta Lining.
50c Moreens for petticoats.
50c Satin Serges for coat linings.

Tomorrow at the Notion and Toilet Counters.

There will be pick-ups a-plenty at both these counters, and the reduced prices will suit the customers to a tee.

Cut Glass Toilet Bottles, the $1.50 kind for 75c; the $2.00 kind for $1.00; the $3.00 kind for $1.50.

Beautiful Art Bottles filled with perfume, the $3.50 kind for $1.75; the $5.00 kind for $2.50; the $8.00 kind for $4.00.

Fancy Baskets filled with perfume, the $3.50 kind for $1.75; the $5.00 kind for $2.50; the $8.00 kind for $4.00.

Lacquered Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, the $1.25 kind for 50c; the $2.00 kind for $1.00.

Toilet Sets, consisting of two bottles of Perfume on pretty metal stand, original price $3.50, tomorrow $1.00 a set.

Boxes filled with perfume, Sachet Powder and Soap, the 50c kind for 25c; the 25c kind for 12½c.

Reduced Prices on Christmas Ribbons.

Any woman can always find use for ribbon, and there should always be a lot of it by. Opportunity to get ribbon tomorrow at a generous concession in price.

5-inch Plain Taffeta Ribbon, 15c for the 25c and 30c grades.

5½-inch Satin Taffeta Ribbon, 25c a yard for 35c, 40c, 45c grade.

4½ and 5-inch Fancy Ribbon, 25c a yard for 45c and 50c grade.

4 and 4½-inch Pillow Ribbon, 20c a yard for a 40c grade.

5½-inch Fancy Ribbon, 40c a yard for a 50c and 65c grade.

6½-inch Fancy Ribbon, 50c a yard for 75c and 85c grades.

Women's Neckwear at Less Than Half Prices.

All the tousled Holiday Neckwear will be placed on aisle table tomorrow and sold for less than half of former prices. you will find every piece marked at new prices.

All Toys Half Price.

A good many people follow business ideas in buying toys. You will find here tomorrow men and women picking up toys for half prices which they will lock up until the Christmas season of 1904. Do you like to save money?

In the Art Needlework Department.

Our Art Department never was so fully stocked for any previous Holiday season. Dainty Art Needlework and elaborate hand-painted designs—thousands of imported novelties too numerous to mention.

Naturally some of these Holiday Novelties were not entirely closed out on Christmas Eve. These we place on sale at prices so attractive as to tempt you to buy them by the dozens. The reduced novelties consist of Pin Cushions, Pin Trays, Photo Frames, Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, Animal Pin Cushions, Painted Burnt Wood Articles, Tinted Pillow Tops, Fancy Sewing Boxes and many others to be closed out as follows:

25c ones at 12½c.	$1.00 ones at 50c.
30c ones at 15c.	$1.25 ones at 62½c.
40c ones at 20c.	$1.50 ones at 75c.
50c ones at 25c.	$2.00 ones at $1.00.
75c ones at 37½c.	$3.00 ones at $1.50.

Those who desire to add some useful and interesting article to their Sewing Room Outfit will find in this a most engaging offer.

French Velour Table Covers, Half Prices.

Most any housewife will recognize in the table cover of French velour something that is admirable for long wear. On sale in Fourth Floor Curtain and Drapery Department.

2-yard Covers, sold for $10.00, tomorrow $5.00.
2x2½-yard Covers, sold for $15.00, tomorrow $7.50.
2x3-yard Covers, sold for $18.00, tomorrow $9.00.

Silverware and Jewelry a Third Off.

Not all, of course. But the following will be one-third below Christmas prices:

ONE-THIRD OFF all Dutch Silver Imported Novelties.

ONE-THIRD OFF all scratched and rubbed silverware.

ONE-THIRD OFF all Imported Jewelry.

ONE-THIRD OFF all Imported Chains.

Wilton Hearth Rugs, $4.25. Were $5.50.

The size is 6x3½ inches. They are Wilton Rugs and they are very handsome.

Smyrna Reversible All Wool Rugs, of the size used in front of bureaus, good Persian styles and colors, worth $2.75 for $1.50 each.

Single door sizes, in pretty Persian effects, 36x18 inches, $1.00 each.

Leather Goods at One-Third Off.

Hardly any reservation on these lines, as will be noted:

All imported Leather Goods ONE-THIRD OFF marked prices.

All Domestic Leather Goods, that show the slightest hurt, one-third and ONE-HALF OFF marked prices.

Stationery and Novelties a Third Off.

All imported novelties that have been shown on table and that have their freshness dimmed, ONE-THIRD OFF marked prices.

Christmas Papeteries, all of these to be set a-flying for ONE-THIRD and ONE-HALF OFF marked prices.

Women's Mussed Muslin Underwear, ⅓ and ½ Off.

The Women's Department, second floor, East Store, has a lot of mussed underwear which will be thrown out tomorrow at prices one-third and one-half off regular price. All feminine undergarments are included, and the only thing wrong with them, as said before, is that they are a little dusty.

Fancy Sofa Pillows, $1.00, $2.50 and $3.00 kind.

Up on the Fourth Floor, West Store, tomorrow, you can buy these Pillows for the even dollar, and there is enough variety in the coverings to call the lot a good assortment.

Clearing Challis at 28c a Yard.

All women are judges of Challis, therefore we'll not say anything about the worth of these goods. Several hundred yards of handsomely printed challis, different grounds, to be closed out tomorrow at 28c a yard.

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Anyone unable to purchase a copy of The Pittsburgh Gazette on trains or at news stands will confer a favor by reporting the same to this office.

Friday, December 25, 1903.

At the annual dinner of the New England society in New York, Whitelaw Reid made a prediction that should be noted and remembered. He said: "I venture to predict that the time will come within the lives of many who now hear me when the man who shall propose the incorporation as a state into this government of the United States of America of any island of the sea, the Philippines, the Sandwich Islands, or Porto Rico, or Cuba, will be hunted from political life as a public enemy."

Workmen will begin on Monday to demolish the cathedral on the corner of Fifth avenue and Grant street, and soon another notable landmark will disappear. St. Paul's cathedral was dedicated on June 24, 1855, and was at the time the most imposing edifice in this city. Its tall towers and splendid facades remained unrivaled until the new court house was erected and dedicated in 1888. Since then progress has been rapid. The Frick building outclasses both of its noble neighbors. No doubt the cathedral site will soon have a grand architectural successor, and the new cathedral will far excel the old. Some day there may be a new city hall to outclass all of them; but be that as it may, Pittsburgh is changing rapidly in its architectural ensemble, and changing for the better.

Capt. Alfred Dreyfus is in a fair way to have justice done him at last. The commission appointed to examine new evidence has reported, recommending a revision of the case before the court of cassation, on the ground that new evidence is available and that former witnesses have recanted their testimony given before the court at Rennes. Apparently the only real offense of Capt. Dreyfus was to be born a Jew and to adhere to the family faith. He was charged with selling secrets of the French army, the charges being instigated by the men who were guilty of that treason and who relied upon religious prejudice to sustain the documents they forged to implicate the ambitious young captain. The history of this infamy is as sensational as a Dumas novel, and if the wrong is finally righted it will be quite as edifying.

In a few days the arbitration treaty between France and Italy will be signed. This treaty is patterned after that negotiated between Great Britain and France, and both are the outcome of the series of royal visits inaugurated by King Edward. The result will be some readjustment of national relations. The Dreibund was organized by Bismarck in a spirit hostile to France, as he anticipated the possibility that France might seek revenge upon Germany for the loss of Alsace-Lorraine. Italy and Austria entered the alliance not so much through enmity to France, or friendship for Germany, as from the desire to have peace in Europe. In signing the arbitration convention with France, Italy is consistent, since it is another means for promoting the same end as the Triple Alliance, and is a better means. At the same time it indicates the friendship that has been growing between the two nations and the progress of European sentiment away from excessive armament.

The talk of referring the Panama question to The Hague tribunal would be more intelligible if it were stated what question is to be referred. If it is the action of the United States in recognizing Panama, then Russia, Germany, France and other governments must be also cited, for they have recognized Panama. Is it the action of the United States in guarding the neutrality of the isthmus? That is an obligation established before the present state of Colombia came into existence, but which it has frequently invoked for its own purposes when it possessed sovereignty over the isthmus. Is it that Panama had no right to declare its independence? Then Colombia itself ought to be returned to the jurisdiction of Spain. There is no question at issue between the United States and Colombia which can be referred to The Hague or any other tribunal. There may be a question between Colombia and Panama as to whether the latter should not assume part of the debt previously the joint obligation of Colombia and Panama, and that might be properly submitted to The Hague court of arbitration, but any award made should go directly to the benefit of the creditors.

If the report be authentic which comes from Berlin to the effect that Great Britain deems Japan's demands just and earnestly hopes that Russia will grant them, a weight of influence has been thrown into the scales that will incline them toward a peaceful adjustment of the dispute. Great Britain is the avowed ally of Japan and although its treaty obligations do not compel it to come to the aid of Japan unless the latter is attacked by more than one power, yet the attitude of England cannot be ignored in any event, and intimations of English support for Japan cannot be safely disregarded. A war between Russia and Japan would be like a fight between a mastiff and a terrier, but if the terrier had the advantage of a corner in which the mastiff could hardly poke his nose, the terrier would be a troublesome antagonist if sharp and plucky, and if there were other big dogs around liable to join in the fight while the terrier had his teeth set in the mastiff's nose, it might be dangerous to have a set-to with the terrier despite his littleness. Japan is a particularly sharp and plucky terrier and Russia is a particularly big and powerful mastiff, but as matters stand the mastiff would not have it all its own way. Korea is a small bone of contention, in comparison to what Russia holds in Manchuria, and it would be better to let the terrier have his bone than to fight him for it.

This Is the Day.

It is a custom, and perhaps it ought to be called a good old custom—no doubt, it is a good old custom—to preach an editorial sermon on Christmas morning. It is considered proper to tell the readers that it is a time for rejoicing, but they always know it without the telling, and always they have been hard at it long before the children will permit them to turn to the daily papers. It is considered proper to explain in more or less learned and always solemn phrases why it is a time to rejoice, but they know this also; they have it by heart. If times are not as good as they have been it is considered more than merely proper to tell how much worse they might be and how much better they are than if they were worse. But everyone knows this, too; and, also, if it is the best of seasons, with wages high and turkeys cheap, they do not have to wait until Christmas morning for the news.

For weeks past all the people everywhere have been working toward this morning, not for the purpose of turning to the paper to find out what the editor thinks about Christmas, or what he thinks they ought to think, but for the same purpose that the editor has worked. The serious business of life of one and all for not less than a month has been less the daily avocation, than preparation for today—preparation to celebrate the great Christian feast of the year.

Therefore everyone, knowing the day, knowing why it is set apart as a feast day, and having prepared for it in the light of that knowledge, and being ready for it, it is not necessary to preach them the sermon or tell them the old, old story, ever new. All that we might say is in their hearts and minds. The Gazette wishes them all a Merry Christmas, and hopes that they will have it.

Our Sure Thing in Cotton.

Mr. Edward Atkinson contributes to the Baltimore Manufacturers Record a very timely and interesting article in which careful consideration is given to the possibility that energetic efforts now being made by European nations may develop new areas of cotton production which will render them independent of American supply. Mr. Atkinson writes from practical knowledge as he has imported and spun specimens of every type of cotton produced anywhere. Nor is the wish father to the thought in reaching his conclusions, for he thinks it would be a good thing if our southern cotton culture should be confronted by a strong competition that would compel improvement of method.

The general conclusion to which Mr. Atkinson's experiments led him is that no cotton that can be a useful substitute for American cotton can be produced in a tropical country where it is a perennial plant. The cotton grown on the west coast of Africa, where the British are hoping for great results, is poor in staple and very woolly in appearance. Egyptian cotton is of a good quality, but the crop is susceptible of little, if any, increase. The cotton of India is difficult to gin, the fiber is short, rough and unfit for any but the coarsest fabrics. Russia has found a place in Central Asia where good cotton can be grown, but the possible supply is insignificant in comparison with the demand. China raises cotton used in its domestic industries, but far inadequate to supply the home market. A very valuable variety of cotton is raised in Peru, which brings a special price, but the supply is limited.

As a result of a world-wide survey Mr. Atkinson holds that there is only one section of the earth's surface that is naturally qualified to compete with our southern states in cotton growing—the high pampas of the Paraguay and Parana rivers, but before their resources can be utilized they must pass under efficient governmental control, and labor supply must be provided. If the aspirations of Germany in this section of the world are realized, South America may rival North America as a cotton producer, but this "if" is a long way off and may never come to pass. Meanwhile the cotton states of this country will continue to have a practical monopoly of the cotton of commerce. This is a fact of great importance in fortifying our industrial position as whatever may be the effect upon our trade and commerce from the great economic changes which appear to be impending, our cotton exports will insure a heavy balance of trade in our favor that will be a permanent feature of the situation.

Premium for Note Issue.

Secretary Leslie Shaw announces that the Philippine bonds issued to finance the purchase of the friars' lands will be accepted by the treasury as security for government deposits on condition that the United States bonds, for which they are substituted, shall be used to secure circulation. This offer should be mutually advantageous to the banks and the public. The Philippine bonds will pay a higher rate of interest than the United States bonds and the public will be accommodated by the increased issue of notes.

This affords another instance of Secretary Shaw's thoughtful financiering. The currency system of the country is conceded by all to be defective in the fact that it tends to emphasize conditions of monetary stringency. Mr. Shaw's management of the treasury, however, has minimized this evil of the system and assisted the country through a trying period of liquidation. This latest order promises to assist quite as much in the process of recovery that has set in. Fundamental conditions being good, an increase in the currency should act as a tonic in the business world.

While giving due credit to Secretary Shaw for his brilliant administration, however, the fact ought not to be overlooked that his policy gives temporary relief, mainly. Permanent improvement must be sought by act of congress. It does not now appear probable that any financial legislation will be attempted at this session of congress. Sentiment is not sufficiently crystalized and other matters are pressing. But this should not discourage discussion and investigation looking to an ultimate sane solution of the problem. Before anything is done the program should be well thought out and agreed upon.

The Dawson Wreck.

Not since the disaster of the Ashtabula bridge on the Lake Shore railroad in the holiday season of 1876, in which 80 persons were killed, has the public been so appalled by a railroad wreck as by that of the Baltimore & Ohio's Duquesne Limited, Wednesday evening. Not since the Ashtabula event has there been a railroad disaster so terribly fatal. It has cast a sorrow over the ante-Christmas cheer, though giving cause for additional joy in homes not bereft of loved ones.

In one respect this terrible accident has given the public a novel experience. It has had the fullest information from official sources, without an attempt to conceal anything. It knows the full extent of the calamity and the cause. The managers of the Baltimore & Ohio are deserving of the highest credit for this, because in the moment of their own distress they afforded every facility to the news gatherers to get the facts, and put forth every possible effort to save life and relieve suffering. The accident was due to no neglect of trainmen or of the company. If blame attaches anywhere it would go back to the loading of the timber, and even that may have been carefully done.

If there is any moral to be drawn from the deplorable affair it is one that applies to all railroads alike. It will point in two directions; first, the stronger construction of coaches to make their power of resistance equal to that shown by the Pullmans; second, a systematic inspection of freight cars and cargo to avoid, as far as possible, the shifting of loads. Doubtless railroad managements have considered these matters and there will be improvement when it is practicable. Railroad travel will never become absolutely safe. It is comparatively so now. The horror of the moment may make it appear not so, but statistically the trains of the Baltimore & Ohio and of the other roads entering Pittsburgh are safer than carriage, bicycle or automobile riding. They are as safe as the homes of the people, the difference being that their mishaps are more spectacular.

The Gazette is proud of its report of the Baltimore & Ohio wreck near Dawson. It was a plain, straightforward statement of all the facts and it was the first complete story to be laid before the public. In a word, it was all news, without frills or hysterics, the facts being sufficiently sensational for any purpose. Subsequent developments and investigation have confirmed The Gazette's estimates and proven the accuracy of its earliest report.

It wasn't half as much trouble for papa to fill his own stocking this morning when he stuck his bare feet from under the covers, as it was for him to foot the bill for the other stockings.

At the rate at which Colombia's original 100,000 invaders of Panama are gathering the first recruits will have died of old age before the army is got together.

With Bourke Cockran again in the house of representatives whole pages of the Congressional Record will be entertaining, if not convincing.

It is more blessed to give than to receive. If you don't believe it ask papa. Better not ask Johnny or Georgie, though.

Here's hoping that the Christmas cheer won't cause indigestion.

Only one more week of this year. But there will be another year.

Let no thought of the reckoning interfere with the enjoyment.

It has been a great season for the shopper and the shoppee.

It is the morning after the night before Christmas.

Christmas is Christmas, regardless of the weather.

Of course, everyone got just what everyone wanted.

Merry Christmas and many more of the same to all.

Certainty of Punishment.

If there is any lesson that the long course of law has left, it is that not the severity but the certainty of the punishment is the deterrent. As long as there is hope of hoodwinking or beating the law, so long human nature will take its chances at doing it. Men do not put their hands in the fire when they have learned that without exception they will be burned if they do. If there were an uncertainty about it they would chance it just as they do the violation of a human law when desire leads them.—Minneapolis News.

Where Mexico Stands.

An American paper is surprised to find Mexico making no talk against Uncle Sam's manner of conducting himself down Panama way. A prosperous and modern country like Mexico has no patience with retrospective politics.—Mexican Herald.

The Quiet Observer.

ERASMUS WILSON.

Well, what do you think of your friends and neighbors today?

But, before answering this, maybe you had better balance your own account by asking and answering the very important QUESTION, What do you think of yourself?

We can scarcely expect others to have a better opinion of us than we have of ourselves. Nor have we any room to find fault with others because they don't do as we think they should, for they may be thinking the same concerning us.

Charity is the thing we most need at this particular time.

Blessed, thrice blessed are they who do not expect presents. If they get none they are not sore; and if they do they are agreeably surprised, which is most agreeable, indeed.

Some might regard this as clear gain, a find pure and simple, and maybe even gloat over it. But the Christian and the philosopher take it to heart and rejoice and feel good, not alone on account of getting something they didn't expect, but because it shows there are still some of God's people on the face of the earth.

The Christian and the philosopher are about the only ones who do rejoice, really, and feel good and glad through and through at Christmas time. Not that there isn't much to cause sadness, but the reassurance that God reigns and the era of peace and good will to men has not passed away.

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Maybe you are kicking about the weather, thinking unkind things about the weather man, or even faulting Providence for having spoiled your calculations.

The impulse to do this is quite natural, but you should be able to control your impulses, thus saving yourself many regrets, besides retaining your old friends and gaining others.

The weather did flop around to the rain point and made the street sloppy and nasty. But then, our good friends, the farmers, have been praying for rain without ceasing, for the drouth is something unusual. In some places, and not very far from here, wells and springs have failed so completely that stock has to be driven to the larger streams, or water has to be hauled to them.

Maybe you didn't know this, or had forgotten about it when you lit into the weather.

And there are the folks down the river who are threatened with a coal famine. They, too, have been doing some earnest praying for rain.

So, taking the needs of the people into account and lining them up alongside of the passing pleasures of a day, we can readily see that Providence is in the right of it, as usual.

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And then, we must not forget the folks in Butler. A good, hard rain would do much toward cleaning up the town, besides flushing out the creeks and streams and filling their reservoirs with pure water. In this way, you see, the raging fever epidemic may be stopped.

So, stop your growling and complaining because things have not come you way, since your way may not be the better way; besides, it may not be the way of Providence, against which it is no use to complain.

Have you a little joy in your own heart, or in other hearts? If so, you have good cause to rejoice and feel good, no matter what the state of the weather.

It ain't no use to grumble and complain;
It's just as cheap and easy to rejoice—
When God sorts out the weather and He
Wy, rain's my choice. [sends rain,
—Riley.

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Christmas is held to be children's day of days, and it were well if it was so observed. But then there are so many big children, and not a few are overgrown, as well as over anxious about their stockings. In fact, most of the complaining and hard feeling may be charged up to the big ones, for the little ones have not become avaricious and selfish.

As you may know from experience, the bigger ones are more anxious and worry more about Christmas presents than do the smaller ones. It is true that little ones are curious to know what is coming to them, but they wait with more serene patience than do many of their elders, and accept more gratefully and gladly that which they find in their stockings, even if not the very things desired.

The worst yet, however, is for anxious ones to apportion their wants among their friends. This is little short of blackmail—a polite sort. And you might be surprised if you were to learn how many do this.

But the surprises are over now, and children are in the very midst of their feasting and rejoicing. Let us look on and recall the times when we were as they are now.

Do you remember the clever poem, "The Night After Christmas," a sort of parody on "The Night Before Christmas?" Here it is:

'Twas the night after Christmas, when all through the house
Every soul was abed, and as still as a mouse;
Those stockings so lately St. Nicholas' care
Were emptied of all that was eatable there.
The darlings had duly been tucked in their beds,
With very full stomachs and pains in their heads.
I was dozing away in my new cotton cap,
And Nancy was rather far gone in a nap,
When out in the nursery rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my sleep crying, "What is the matter?"
I flew with much bedside, still half in a doze,
Tore open the curtains and threw off the clothes;
While the light of the taper served clearly to show
The piteous plight of those objects below.
For, what to the fond father's eyes should appear
But the pale little face of each sick little dear;
Each pet, having crammed itself full as a tick,
I knew in a moment, now felt like old Nick!
Their pulses were rapid, their breathings the same;
What their stomachs rejected I'll mention by name:
Now turkey, now stuffing, plum pudding, of course,
And custards, and crullers, and cranberry sauce—
Before outraged Nature all went to the wall—
Yes, lollypops, dapdoodle, great things and small;
Like pellets, which urchins from pop-guns let fly,
Went figs, nuts and raisins, jam, jelly and pie.
'Till each error of diet was brought to my view,
To the shame of mamma and of Santa Claus, too.
I turned from the sight, to my bedroom stepped back,
And brought out a vial marked Pulv. Ipecac.
When my Nancy exclaimed—for their sufferings shocked her—
"Don't you think you had better, love, run for the doctor?"
I ran, and was scarcely back under my roof,
When I heard the sharp clatter of old Jalap's hoof;
I might say that I hardly had turned myself round,
When the doctor came into the room with a bound.
He was spattered with mud from his hat to his boots,
And the clothes he had on seemed the drollest of suits;
In his haste he'd put all quite awry on his back,
And he looked like John Falstaff half fuddled with sack.
His eyes how they twinkled! Had the doctor got merry?
His cheeks looked like port and his breath smelt of sherry;
He hadn't been shaved for a fortnight or so,
And the beard on his chin wasn't white as the snow.
But, inspecting their tongues, in despite of their teeth,
And drawing his watch from his waistcoat beneath,
He felt of each pulse, saying, "Each little belly
Must get rid"—here he laughed—"of the rest of that jelly."
I gazed on each plump, chubby, sick little elf,
And grinned when he said so, in spite of myself.
But a wink of his eye when he physicked dear Fred,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He didn't prescribe—but went straightway to work
And dosed all the rest—gave his trousers a jerk,
And adding directions while blowing his nose,
He buttoned his coat, from his chair he arose,
Then jumped in his gig, gave old Jalap a whistle,
And Jalap dashed off as if pricked by a thistle.
But the doctor exclaimed, ere he drove out of sight,
"They'll be well by tomorrow—good-night
Jones, good-night." —Anon.

Talked of in New York

GEORGE C. JENKS.

(By Private Wire to The Gazette.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—With a mighty whirl, the before-Christmas trading came to an end tonight. All day the concentrated activity of a whole week kept the late gift-buyers rushing from one store to another, to catch up. They should have spread their efforts over at least six days, but with the fatality of men who believe that it can be done any time, they have found themselves almost overwhelmed by their responsibilities on this Christmas eve. Of course, they are men, these late purchasers. The average woman has been watching the bargain counters for a month, picking up what she needed here and there and is calmly awaiting the contemplations of joy that will ripple through the home when the youngsters find their stockings in the morning. But later families has his own way of buying gifts, and it was he, repeated a hundred fold, who was industriously shopping today. Some shrewd women investors waited until late before buying certain things, especially in the way of eatables which deteriorate in quality if kept.

Down in the markets where Christmas fare was offered, it was possible tonight to buy turkeys at several cents per pound under the original market price. It was the same with other perishable wares. But these were exceptions to the rule. Most of the buying tonight, as all day, was done by haggard men who had been worrying about the selecting of gifts for a week, only to plunge madly into the nearest department store at last and take what the clerks offered them. A few stores closed early in the evening, but most of them kept going until 10 o'clock or after. It was the dying clamor to get the money. All next week stocktaking will be the occupation, and what is sold over the counter will hardly yield profit enough to pay rent and wages. The Christmas business has been so large that any merchant not sinfully covetous must be fairly well satisfied.

Where the Waiter Loses.

At the Waldorf-Astoria is a guest who manages to dine in the hotels and restaurants, and yet spends only $1 a day for his meals. He takes oatmeal and milk for breakfast, and a club sandwich and chocolate for dinner. He does not tip the waiter, or it would cost him $2 a day.

"Parsifal" Blocked the Streets.

Broadway presented an unusual appearance this afternoon when the crowd began to gather for "Parsifal." Carriages blocked the cross streets and crawled about on Broadway itself, while the sidewalk in front of the Metropolitan was a confused mass of men in evening dress and women gorgeous in fine raiment and diamonds. This was between 4 and 5 o'clock. New Yorkers are used to seeing these indications of wealth and leisure a few hours later in the evening, but in the middle of the afternoon it caused almost a shock. Perhaps there is some affectation in the horror with which the boulevardier of Manhattan regards evening dress at the wrong time, but be this as it may, there were many remarks on the subject as the audience was being drawn into the main doorways of the yellow brick building where what Frau Cosima calls "sacrilege" is in progress at the hands of Herr Conreid's high priests of song.

Everyone got in at last, but the process took a long time. It looked for a while, indeed, as if the impresarios fear that the doors should be fastened as soon as the overture began, would exclude a hundred or two devotees. This catastrophe was avoided, however, and at a few minutes after 5 o'clock quietness reigned in the lobby, while strains of music coming faintly through the heavy doors told the idlers on the street that the dire work of giving "Parsifal" publicly in America for the first time had actually begun.

Cheap Sauce, Anyhow.

There is some recompense for the high price of turkeys. Cranberries are the finest and cheapest seen in the New York markets for years. It is estimated that 500,000 bushels have been received from New Jersey in the last month and they are selling at $1.25 a crate. Their price last year was $3 to $5.

Oyster Is a Fish at Last.

It has been solemnly decided here that an oyster is a fish. Some of the wholesale fish dealers who have the use of certain piers along the East river have been trying to keep the oysterman away. Their committee which waited on Controller Grout yesterday to adjust the difficulty said that the legislature, in providing that the piers shall be used for "fish commerce" had defined the term "fish commerce" as applying to fish, and not to oysters. The comptroller seemed bewildered. "But an oyster is a fish, is it not?" he said. "Only a shell fish," was the answer. The distinction was picturesque, but convincing to the controller, and the oysterman will have part of the piers.

Nordica Says "No."

The significant remark is made that nobody who knows Mme. Nordica ever suspected her of having contributed to a fund to give free musical education to some young singer who might have developed extraordinary natural ability. Nordica herself denies that she knows anything about the scheme. It seems to have been arranged by a young musician with a faculty for promoting, who thought he could induce the prima donna to "make good" when the time came. She won't do it. A similar enterprise was set afloat about a year ago, when it was said that Edouard De Reszk would pay for the operatic education of a man singer who came up to certain requirements. The tremendous Wotan and Mephistopheles denied that he knew anything about an Edouard De Reszk scholarship. Grand opera singers require a great deal of money for their personal expenses. Scholarships stand a cold chance with them.

Van Wyck Has Sharp Tongue.

Ex-Mayor Van Wyck is a taciturn man, as a rule. He never cared to be interviewed when he was the city's chief executive, and even when some of the Tammany aldermen growled openly because he took away the first shovelful of earth dug for the rapid transit subway in his plug hat, he said nothing. But when he does talk he can be as raspingly severe as a mad wildcat. He talked about Mayor Low today, and the substance of what he said is that Mr. Low has been the worst failure, officially, that was ever seen in the mayoralty chair. To this he added that New York "has never had a corrupt mayor" and observing casually that there are more murders, assaults and robberies in New York today than ever, Mr. Van Wyck sees a Moses in Israel in the person of Mayor-Elect McClellan, and everyone here hopes he is right in his anticipation that New York is about to enjoy the best administration it has known since it was a city.

Rather Gruesome Christmas Gift.

Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay has presented an ambulance to Nassau hospital at Mineola, Long Island, as a Christmas gift. While it may strike most people as rather a gruesome souvenir, it is most welcome to the hospital authorities. It is rubber tired and has all the latest equipment. The significance of the gift lies largely in the fact that the institution is regarded as a memorial to the late John W. Mackay. A home for nurses of the training school in connection with the hospital was given in his time some time ago.

Car Service Looking Up.

It is remarked that very little has been heard this winter about the inconvenience of urban travel in New York. The chronic grumbler who gets into the newspapers to tell what he thinks of the "crowded car service" has been singularly reticent. At this season last year there were howls of rage on all sides. The inference to be drawn from the apparent satisfaction of shoppers and other riders on the "L" and surface lines of Manhattan is that improvements have been made. Of course the companies get no public thanks, but the absence of complaint is a tacit tribute that they understand. It is obvious that the "L" managers as well as those superintending the movements of the surface cars, have taken the trouble to relieve the indecent conditions which prevailed last Christmastide. The good effect of this trouble contradicts the oft-heard assertion that nothing could be done to reduce the congestion. It has been done, and done without much bothering of fines. When the subway railway is running, it should be pleasant to ride about Manhattan in plentiful conveyances.

Amounts to the Same Thing.

The rich man is said to be financially embarrassed—the poor man is just broke.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

A Tragedy of Yule Tide

By ALOYSIUS COLL.

CONNELLSVILLE, Dec. 24.—And this is Christmas eve in Connellsville! A cold, misty rain falls, and the streets, tormented with the unyawning, the curious and the anxious, are dismal and somber. The spirit of Christmas, of the green holly leaf and the red holly berry is warped into a semblance of mourning. Before the door of each of the four morgues and the Cottage State hospital a great crowd surges, heedless of the rain. One by one eager faces go into the gruesome homes of the dead, glance from one to another of the mutilated and disfigured bodies, then steal away, sorry almost for having entered. And one by one these transformed bodies who were thought to be foreigners unknown to the world at large suddenly become, by a glance, a little card, a ring or a sacred token of love or affection, the beloved husband, father or brother or friend of many of the best-known people of this region. It is now almost certainly known that not more than five or six of the dead were foreigners. Even in their delirium, they spoke English, with three exceptions. And as the unidentified list grows less and less, the list of well-known names grows larger and larger.

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People cannot be happy today in Connellsville, they do not wish to. It is a time of tears, and muffled voices on the streets, and moving dead wagons that have rattled about all the night, preventing sleep from one end of the town to the other. So that people look weary of it all already. The faithful doctors have not slept a wink, nor any friend that should has even, here and there, an undertaker! In busy pooling black-draped carts, in doors, and households that hoped against hope, throw open their doors to death, and give it silent welcome, as a covered bier is borne in.

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Down in the city hall, with others of the dead, lies a toy mine of the monster of steel and steam that dragged the flying train to destruction. When rescuers went to the great Atlantic type engine, they found wedged in under the cylinder a toy engine, with its smokestack broken off in the wreck, but otherwise uninjured. What a strange little incident to this tragedy of many strange things indeed! For death came quickly last night. Some of the victims held their handkerchiefs in their hands, clutched with the grip of the last tight struggle. Nearly everybody bore the evidence of the Christmas tide! Toys were crushed with them; packages containing little remembrances were dyed with their life's blood.

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The Italians mourn. Their devoted little priest, Father Tandello, had gone into Pittsburgh to purchase figures for the representation of the stable of Bethlehem, for his church, dedicated only last Sunday, the first for worship of the errant Italian workers of the coke region. And out at the home of M. E. Smith, the dishes are set on the table. A despairing young wife sits in dumbness of grief. She was told last night that her bridegroom, being a Baltimore & Ohio dispatcher, was busy at the wreck, as he had not been seen. Through the long night she waited for him, sure that he would be tired and weary when he should return. She kept the coffee warm. He has not returned to that seat by the table; he has taken his place in the silent halls of the morgue.

And oft he sighs and another woman closes down the blinds, and shuts out the jargon of the street on her dead husband. This is Mrs. C. A. Wilson. He was a well-known contractor here till recently, till he went to Pittsburgh, where he has been engaged as a traveling agent for a large concern in his line. He was coming for the yule tide to his beautiful wife and children. What else can be said to a coming like this?

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A home remarkable for domestic ties is broken in Main street. Edison Goldsmith was one of 11 children born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goldsmith. He was bright, talented and beloved. That he perished is the cold hard proof that death strikes the shining target. He was my schoolmate; yesterday I spoke with him, for he worked under the same roof with me—today the chasm between us forever. My holly wreath at his window these little and bitter words of rue. The rain falls. Will it ever cease to fall?

PERSONALS

Col. Samuel Moody, assistant general passenger agent of the Pennsylvania lines, gave a concert last evening for the employes and clerks at the Union station. A large crowd was present and heard music furnished by the Lone Star quartet. The event took place in the dining room on the top floor of the station. The following program was rendered: "Anona," "Parson and the Bear," "Under the Panama," "My Old Kentucky Home," "Medella," "Last Chord," "Furniture Man," "Old Section"—bass solo, "Henry, Will You Miss Me When I'm Gone?"

The reception given last night by D. F. Henry, proprietor of the hotel bearing his name, was a success. A fine program of orchestral music was furnished by a band of 12 pieces. Supper was served in the crystal rooms, where the orchestra was hidden behind palms and cut flowers. A souvenir spoon was presented the guests. It contained a picture of the Duquesne hotel with the words "Pittsburgh" inscribed on one side the handle and "The Henry" on the other.

The Rev. Dr. Frank W. Sneed, pastor of the East Liberty Presbyterian church, Penn and Highland avenues, East End, and Mrs. Sneed have gone to Missouri to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Sneed's relatives. They will also visit Dr. Sneed's uncle, United States Senator Vest. During Dr. Sneed's absence his pulpit will be filled by the Rev. David Hoyle Breed.

A change in the official list of the Jones & Laughlin company was announced yesterday. Irwin R. Laughlin, treasurer of the company, resigned to accept a post in the United States diplomatic service, having been named as private secretary to the minister of Japan. James P. Laughlin was elected by the board of directors to fill the vacancy.

The Colonial remembered its guests by presenting them with pocketbooks suitable for carrying bills. They are strongly made with russet leather. Stamped in gold letters is "The Colonial Hotel; F. C. Smith, Proprietor."

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

The nearby residents registered at the local hotels last night were as follows:

Seventh Avenue—W. E. Davis, Ellsworth; D. Powell, Youngstown; D. F. Jones, South Sharon; J. B. Beatty, Yard City.

Duquesne—T. W. Edmundson, Fairmont; J. A. Leishman, Curry; A. Kramer, Monessen; W. A. Stevenson, Akron.

Colonial—Charles Fry, Youngstown; M. H. Coleman, Johnstown; D. Ainsley, Dunbar.

Griswold—J. Hahn, Uniontown; T. N. Smith, Wheeling; E. L. Overholt, Altoona.

Monongahela House—C. Zahn, Uniontown; W. R. Hauffer, Connellsville; H. J. Bonsor, Sharon; O. E. Wilkison, Elwood City.

Lincoln—Charles P. Holdrick, Brookville, O. A. Kerr, Valreho.

A. Henry—R. Schneider, Sharon; Dr. A. C. Rumpus, Steubenville; F. M. Fry, Uniontown; Newell's—R. J. Meyers, Greensburg.

IT IS TO SMILE.

"De really smaht man," said Uncle Eben, "is de one dat has sense enough to know dat he's liable to be fooled de same as anybody else."—Washington Star.

Lucile—Were you not embarrassed when young Doctor Jones asked you for your hand?

Ethel—Dear me, yes! I hardly knew whether he wanted to take me or my pulse.—Puck.

"Fire!"

In the stillness of the night the cry echoed through the apartment house.

"Where?" eagerly asked the shivering occupants of the building, rushing out into the corridors and rubbing their heads in anticipation.—Chicago Tribune.

"Let's go out an' see what's burnin'," said Pat to Mike at the theater.

"What d'ye mean?"

"Those two men behind me said they were goin' to the foyer."—Detroit Free Press.

She—Fine looking overcoat you have on, Mr. Draper.

He—That's what I thought; but there's one thing about it that bothers me terribly. I can't make up my mind whether it looks better with the pocket flaps out or in.—Boston Transcript.

The Death Roll.

James R. Treacy Buried.

Funeral services were held over the remains of James Treacy, the well-known politician and business man of the First ward, yesterday morning at St. Mary of Mercy church at the Point. The funeral was held from the Treacy home, No. 136 Darragh street, Oakland. Requiem high mass was offered by the Rev. Father Walsh, assisted by the Rev. Father Quinn and the Rev. Father Bonaventure. Father Walsh preached the funeral sermon. The music of the mass was furnished by the church choir and Miss Mary Fallon sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "Calvary." Many men prominent in public life attended the services, at which many friends of the family had to stand owing to the large number of people who attended the services. Interment took place in Calvary cemetery. The active pallbearers were: Aldermen S. J. Toole, M. J. Mullen, T. A. Joyce, W. J. Brennan, P. J. Barry and J. J. Thornton, representing the Order of Eagles, to which Mr. Treacy belonged. The honorary pallbearers included P. J. McTighe, Harry Hanna, P. J. Campbell, F. J. McCaskey and P. J. Newberry, on behalf of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which Mr. Treacy was also a member.

Adam Weidman.

Adam Weidman, aged 67 years, died last evening at the residence of his son-in-law, Henry Wachter, in Southern avenue, opposite the South Side cemetery, in Baldwin township. Mr. Weidman was one of the old German residents of the South Side and was highly respected by a large circle of friends. He was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, October 7, 1836, and came to this country in 1854, settling first at Carlisle. He afterward came to Pittsburgh in 1860. He engaged in the barber trade in South Thirteenth street, corner of Carson, and for many years did a large and profitable business, retiring in 1901. His wife died in 1886. Mr. Weidman is survived by these children: Mrs. Amelia Hoffman, Mrs. Frederick Klein, Mrs. William Hartman and Mrs. Henry Wachter, and A. J. Weidman. Mr. Weidman was a member of Germania lodge, No. 349 F. and A. M.; Germania council, No. 246, Royal Arcanum, and the Old Fellows' Beneficial. He was a member of the German United Evangelical church, the Rev. Mr. Schramm, pastor. The funeral services will take place Sunday afternoon and the interment will be in Zimmerman's cemetery.

Gen. Alfred Rockwell.

General Alfred Perkins Rockwell of Boston, died suddenly last night at the home of Prof. Edward H. Jenkins, shortly after arriving from Boston in company with his only daughter. Physicians who were summoned pronounced death due to heart failure. Gen. Rockwell retired about 17 years ago, after a long career in professional and business life. He was graduated from Yale in the class of 1850, and afterward studied engineering in the Scientific school and in London. When the war broke out he was captain of the First Connecticut Light Battery and later was colonel of the Sixth Volunteer infantry from Connecticut. Because of distinguished bravery he was made brevet brigadier general. After the war he returned to New Haven and became professor of engineering at the Sheffield scientific school. In a few years he was made professor of engineering in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was president of the Boston railroad from 1876 to 1879.

Mrs. Sarah Pearson.

Mrs. Sarah Pearson, 82 years old, died last evening at the home of her son, Oliver Pearson, No. 4904½ Liberty avenue. She had been ailing for the last four months, and pneumonia caused her death. Mrs. Pearson was born back of Mt. Oliver and was the daughter of a farmer of that section. After her marriage she removed to Pittsburgh and for 25 years lived at the entrance to the Allegheny cemetery, of which her husband, Perry Pearson, was gate keeper for years. After her husband's death, 12 years ago, she lived with others and came to Pittsburgh in 1896. He engaged in the barber trade in South Thirteenth street, corner of Carson, and for many years did a large and profitable business, retiring in 1901. His wife died in 1886. Mr. Weidman is survived by these children: Mrs. Amelia Hoffman, Mrs. Frederick Klein, Mrs. William Hartman and Mrs. Henry Wachter, and A. J. Weidman. Mr. Weidman was a member of Germania lodge, No. 349 F. and A. M.; Germania council, No. 246, Royal Arcanum, and the Old Fellows' Beneficial. He was a member of the German United Evangelical church, the Rev. Mr. Schramm, pastor. The funeral services will take place Sunday afternoon and the interment will be in Zimmerman's cemetery.

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WELSH SINGERS COMPETE TODAY

Christmas Eisteddfod Celebrated by Cambrians of Pittsburgh and Vicinity.

PRIZES AWARDED TO WINNERS

The Welsh of Pittsburgh and neighborhood will hold an eisteddfod today. There will be two sessions of song, one in the afternoon and the other in the evening. So much interest is taken in these festivals that it is expected Old City hall will be crowded at both sessions today.

The afternoon session will begin at 2. T. Th. Evan Jones will preside and A. J. Edwards and T. P. Williams will be the conductors. There will be an opening song, a baritone solo competition, bardic addresses, a competition in a children's solo, the Welsh recitation "Ond," a competition for alto voices, a quartetth competition, a male chorus competition, a recitation by children and the singing of a Welsh hymn. The adjudicator will award the prizes during the session.

Hon. T. P. Williams.

D. W. Lloyd will preside over the evening session. Edward Vaughan and J. Gordon Jones will sing solos; solo tenors, baritones, sopranos and altos will sing in competition, there will be tenor and bass duets, piano playing by competitors, original operatic competition, and bardic addresses. A silver loving cup will be awarded to the winner of the challenge solo competition from the works of the late Dr. Joseph Parry. Several orators and extemporaneous speakers will show what they can do for a prize. The main choral competition is for prize of $100 for the chorus and a gold medal for the winning conductor. The eisteddfod will close with the singing of the Welsh national anthem.

The prizes range in values, from $1 to $100. The adjudicators will be—for music, Prof. H. W. Owens, Akron, O.; recitations, E. S. Griffiths, Cleveland, O.; and poetry, W. C. Jones, Scranton. J. Harry Jones is the accompanist. The committee that has the eisteddfod in charge is composed of: D. Lloyd, president; Chas. Johns, vice president; John Williams, treasurer; J. D. Valentine Jones, recording secretary; R. H. Davies, corresponding secretary, and Prof. T. J. Davies, Rev. Eli Moth Jones, W. J. Jones, D. D. Jones, Joseph D. Jones, J. H. Williams, David D. Jones, J. Gordon Jones, D. P. James, Rev. William Surdivai, Evan Jones, D. R. Williams, D. J. Evans, D. S. Francis, John Richards, R. W. Vaughn, Thomas R. Morris, D. N. Richards, John Jarrett, T. C. Jenkins, T. W. Roberts, W. J. Davies, John O. Thomas, Walter Evans, D. J. Davies, Wm. Griffiths, Edward Vaughan, James Harris.

Thomas P. Williams of New Castle, one of the conductors, has had long experience in conducting eisteddfods and was the conductor of the day at the national eisteddfod, which was given at Cincinnati two years ago. He has also frequently appeared in Pittsburgh in a similar capacity, as well as elsewhere in this locality. He served in the select council of New Castle, representing the Fifth ward, the home of 2,000 iron, steel and tin workers. Mr. Williams was born in Johnstown, Pa., where he lived until all his possessions were swept away in the great flood. He is prominently mentioned as a candidate for the legislature on the Republican ticket.

ANOTHER EFFORT MADE TO REMOVE WM. J. BRYAN

Bennett Will Contestants Make Another Effort to Have Executor Deposed.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 24.—Application for the removal of William J. Bryan as executor of the will of Philo S. Bennett was made in the probate court today on the ground that he has neglected and violated his duties and because his interests personally and as trustee, are inimicable to those of the legate and under the will.

The application is made by former Judge Henry Stoddert, representing Mrs. Bennett and other residuary legatees. In the petition is this paragraph:

"The said Bryan by appealing from the order of the court admitting said will, and by prosecuting said appeal is preferring his own interests as an individual and as an alleged trustee to his duty as executor of said will, and put himself and his interests as an individual in antagonism to the legatees under said will to their interests as such legatees, and to his duties as such executor; and said conduct of said Bryan is inconsistent with his retention in office as executor under said will, and has rendered him an unfit and unsuitable person to continue exercising the duties and enjoying the emoluments of said office."

The signers of the petition are: Mrs. Grace Imogen Bennett, the widow, and Mrs. Delia A. Bigelow of Waterville, N. Y., and George A. Cable of Yonkers, N. Y.

THOUSANDS MADE GLAD AT THE TOY MISSION

Crowds of men, women and children thronged the doors of the toy mission at Sixth avenue and Grant street, yesterday and all of them went away laden with toys. Maj. R. W. Simmons was added by 20 men and women in attending to the needs of the callers. Twelve thousand poor children of Pittsburgh, Allegheny and the surrounding territory were made happy. Tickets had been given out, those with the tickets numbered up to 200 being served between 9 and 10. Every hour thereafter was devoted to those holding the other tickets in lots of 200.

Held for Passing Bad Paper.

F. J. Keane of 5825 Broad street, who was arrested Wednesday on a charge of passing worthless checks, was held in $500 bail for court on charges of forgery yesterday morning at the East End police station. He was arrested on complaint of D. U. Murdoch, manager for Haugh & Keenan, Center and Euclid avenues. He is alleged to have passed a bogus check for $100 drawn on Colgate & Co., for which company he had been an agent.

W. M. Laird Co.

Final closing out sale of the Holiday Slippers—35c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00

Stores closed all day today.

W. M. Laird Co.

401 to 403 Market St.
431 to 437 Smithfield St.

CUPID WAS LAZY.

Expected Rush for Marriage Licenses for Christmas Did Not Materialize.

The expected rush at the marriage license office yesterday did not materialize, and the clerks had a slow day for the day before Christmas. Usually there is a great rush for licenses, so that the weddings can take place on Christmas day, but yesterday, owing to the inclemency of the weather, the clerks say, that rush failed to come. But 20 certificates to marry were issued all day, and over 100 were expected to be given out.

The day before Thanksgiving 120 licenses were issued, and it was hoped that this record, the largest for a single day since the bureau was opened, would be eclipsed. Taking it all in all, Cupid had an off-day yesterday.

Licenses issued yesterday were as follows:

H. F. Worthington	Pittsburgh
Margaret Dixon	Pittsburgh
Herman B. Furlong	Duquesne
Harriet Marks	Duquesne
William Hilke	Braddock
Minnie Mayer	Homestead
Evan McNeil	New Castle, Pa.
Elizabeth Edmunds	Plymouth, Pa.
William J. McCoy	McKees Rocks
Lillie M. Phillips	McKees Rocks
George W. Brown	Pittsburgh
Marie L. Jordan	Pittsburgh
Frank H. Honecker	Easton, Pa.
Sarah G. Williams	Franklin, Pa.
James Watts	Duquesne
Sadie Roar	Duquesne
Simon B. Rote	Wilmerding
Leonore Steubgen	Wilmerding
William J. Leidner	Pittsburgh
Estelle G. Cannon	Wilkinsburg
Charles Schaublut	Beaver Falls
Emma Schober	Beaver Falls
Charles B. Henry	Pittsburgh
Margaret M. Castel	Pittsburgh
William J. McAdams	Pittsburgh
Emma M. Williams	Pittsburgh
William Ford	Pittsburgh
Lucy Gibson	Pittsburgh
Gilbert H. Schnebley	Scott Haven, Pa.
Mary Catherine John	Scott Haven, Pa.
William R. McPherson	Pittsburgh
Belle Stader	Pittsburgh
Thomas R. Garrettson	New Brighton
Daisy Brush	Sheraden
James Hinskon	New Castle
Laura Wilson	New Wilmington
Charles E. Reighart	Pittsburgh
Elizabeth Mitchell	Pittsburgh
Harry Wolkin	Pittsburgh
Rose Zwiellet	Philadelphia
Felix E. Dorsolfo	Monongahela City
Maud L. Palley	Monongahela City
Robert A. Conkle	Scenery Hill
Sarah M. Morrison	Venetia
George G. Goldfinger	Oakmont
Mary B. Cooley	Castle Shannon
Eugene M. Kaufmann	Philadelphia
Harriet E. Hershberg	San Francisco
John F. Kuhn	Pittsburgh
Laona Llewellyn	Washington
Trevor A. Thomas	Uniontown
Carrie A. Schaney	Pittsburgh
Miller Vorp	Natrona
Cora E. Jones	Natrona
Antonio Riva	Aleghony
Battistina Caro	Millvale
Samuel Marcovsky	Duquesne
Rosie Marcovsky	Duquesne

HARRIMAN LINES WILL ALL BE EQUIPPED ALIKE

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 24.—W. V. S. Thorne, director of purchases for the Harriman lines, who has been in Omaha several days, announces that the equipment of the entire Harriman system will be standardized. When the plan has been carried into effect it will be possible to duplicate any pieces of rolling stock of any shop of the system. The plan of standardizing will include the Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Oregon Short Line, Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, Illinois Central and Chicago & Alton.

PROMINENT AKRON MAN ARRESTED

AKRON, O., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Ex-County Commissioner A. T. Paige, one of Akron's best-known citizens, was arrested this afternoon on a charge of obtaining money under false pretense. Col. J. C. Bloomfield, an insurance man, who signed the affidavit, claims he loaned Paige sums aggregating $155 upon false representations. Paige's wife is worth $200,000 in her own right. Bloomfield says he will not accept a settlement.

Excursion to Wheeling Every Sunday, Via Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

Special train leaves Pittsburgh station, corner Smithfield and Water streets, 8:30 a. m. Returning, leaves Wheeling 5:30 p. m. Fare, $1.50 round trip.

Winter Resorts Excursion Rates.

Seaboard Air Line Railway, shortest route to Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Camden and Florida. J. J. Fuller, 505 Park building.

DEATHS.

BADER—On Thursday, December 24, 1903, at 3 a. m., WILLIAM BADER, husband of Elisabeth Wilhelm, in his 57th year.

Funeral services at the family residence, No. 10 Sandusky street, Allegheny, on Saturday, December 26, at 2 p. m. Interment private later. Please omit flowers.

BAMBACH—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, at 2:30 p. m., GOTTLIEB BAMBACH, in his 84th year.

Funeral services at his late residence, 142 Forty-second street, Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

CARSON—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, at 7:15 a. m., ELLEN, widow of James Carson, in her one hundredth year.

Funeral services at her late residence, 1207 Boyle street, Allegheny, on Friday, December 25, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

CHADWICK—On Thursday morning, December 24, 1903, at 11:30 o'clock, EUNICE CHADWICK, in her 56th year.

Funeral services at her late residence, 2039 Tustin street, Pittsburgh, on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment private.

COURSON—On December 24, 1903, at 4 p. m., IDA CHERRY, wife of J. F. Courson, general foreman Pitcairn car shop, Pennsylvania railroad.

Services on Saturday evening, December 26, at 7 o'clock, at her late home, Third street, Pitcairn. Interment at Fairview cemetery, Altoona, on arrival of train No. 12, Sunday, December 27, 1903.

HALL—On Thursday, December 24, 1903, at 2:30 a. m., WILLIAM HALL, son of William and Arnetta Hall, nee Herman, aged 2 years and 9 months.

Funeral from parents' residence, 28 Woodland avenue, Allegheny, Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

KAPER—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 9:15 p. m., SALOMA GERTRUDE, youngest daughter of Jacob and Clara B. Kaper, aged 6 years and 4 months.

Funeral from her parents' residence, 3115 Perrysville avenue, Allegheny City, on Friday, December 27, 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

LAHEY—On Thursday, December 24, 1903, at 4:10 p. m., PETER, husband of Attilo Lahey and brother of Mrs. Nellie Trautman, in his 34th year.

Funeral from residence of Mrs. Nellie Trautman, Thirtieth and Carson streets, South Side, on Saturday morning, December 26, 1903, at 9 o'clock. Solemn high mass at Holy Cross church, 9:30 a. m. Members of Rev. Thomas Devlin council, No. 444, F. M. L. branch No. 252, C. M. B. A., and members of Stillers Glocke and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

LOCKHART—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 11:15 o'clock p. m., JOHN LOCKHART.

Funeral services at his late residence, 843 Forty-second street, on Saturday, December 26, at 2:30 p. m. Interment private.

M'GREEVY—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, at 10:53 p. m., D. L. M'GREEVY, aged 45 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 809 East Ohio street, Allegheny, Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Requiem high mass at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Friends of the family and members of Branch 79, C. M. B. A., and Branch 240, C. B. L., are respectfully invited to attend.

MILLER—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, WILLIAM MEHAFFEY, infant son of W. A. and Anna Brush Miller, aged 6 months and 27 days.

Funeral services at the family residence, Stewart Station, Pa., Friday, December 25, at 10 a. m. Interment private.

PEARSON—On Thursday, December 24, 1903, at 6:40 p. m., MRS. SARAH PEARSON, widow of Perry Pearson, aged 85 years.

Funeral services at the residence of Oliver Pearson, 1804½ Liberty avenue, Pittsburgh, on Sunday, December 27, at 2:30 p. m. Interment at Allegheny cemetery. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

(St. Louis papers please copy.)

WEIDMAN—On Thursday, December 24, 1903, at 7:20 p. m., ADAM WEIDMAN, aged 67 years.

Funeral services Sunday, December 27, at 2:30 p. m., at the residence of his son-in-law, Henry Wachter, Boulevard, opposite South Side cemetery. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment in Zimmerman's cemetery.

(Carlisle, Pa., papers please copy.)

FLORAL EMBLEMS.

A. M. MURDOCH,

Court 2222. 250 Fifth Avenue.

WHAT SANTY PUT IN OUR STOCKING.

ODDS AND ENDS NEXT WEEK

1-3 OFF

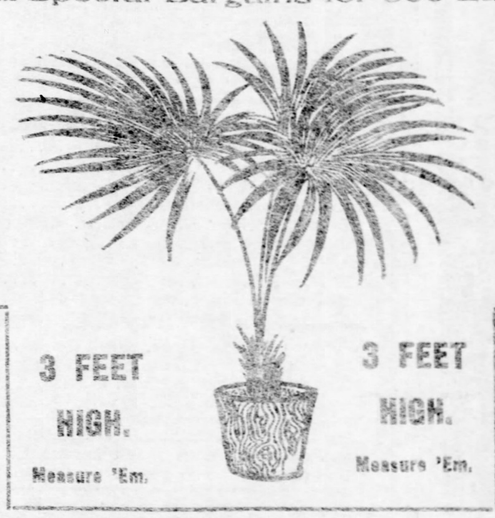
TOMORROW—SATURDAY—TOMORROW

PICKERING'S

Will place on sale five hundred (500) artificial palms that were to be used as specials before Christmas, but they did not arrive in time. These plants were to be sold as Special Bargains for 50c Each.

ON SALE SATURDAY FOR ONLY 10c EACH

Exactly Like Cut.



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This means that all who desire anything in the line of mission furniture can secure it from what is left of our big holiday line at factory cost. This includes chairs, tables, cellarettes, etc., etc. Now is the time to buy den stuff cheaper than the most ordinary furniture is ever sold.

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Always the Best.

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DEC. 25. VICTOR HERBERT, Conductor.
AFT. VIOLIN
DEC. 26. SOLOIST VON KUNITS

Good Eve. Seats $1, $1.50 and $2. Choice 1,500 Aft. Seats, all reserved, at 50c. Ticket Office at Hamilton's, 355 Fifth Ave. Tel. Grant 1289.

MESSIAH

Mozart Club, Pittsburgh Orchestra and Soloists, J. P. McCollum, conductor, Carnegie Music Hall next Tuesday eve'g, Dec. 29, at 8. Seats 50c to $1.50, at 319 Fifth ave.

ALVIN | Matinee Today at 2:15. Tonight at 8:15.
THE FOUR COHANS
In "RUNNING FOR OFFICE."
Next Week—"The Silver Slipper."

NIXON | Matinee Today 2:15. Tonight at 8:15.
Charles Frohman Presents Ethel BARRYMORE
In "COUSIN KATE."
Next Week—Mr. N. C. Goodwin.

GRAND EVERY AFTERNOON AND EVENING
THE NEW STOCK CO.
Week Commencing Monday Mat., Dec. 21st, The Gorgeous $50,000 Spectacle,
THE XMAS PANTOMIME
"BABES IN THE WOODS."

AVENUE FAMILY THEATER
ALL THIS WEEK | THOS. T. RYAN and MARY RICHFIELD. | 15 BIG ACTS
1:30 to 10:30. Popular Prices.

HARRY W. WILLIAMS' ACADEMY | Matinee 2. Evening 8. ALL THIS WEEK. HIGH ROLLERS

We rub our eyes, and lo! we see
Underneath the Christmas tree
A cause for joy, unbounded glee—
Underneath the Christmas tree!

BY DRINKING—

THE PITTSBURGH BREWING CO.'S

BEER, ALE AND PORTER

the cheer you feel at Christmas time starts with you the whole year round. The famous brews are all-healthful. Ask for

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Bijou Bar. Mat. Mon., Wed. and Sat. Best Reserved 25c and 50c.
THE FACTORY GIRL.
Special Holiday Matinee Christmas.
NEXT WEEK—"Ohio Will Be Ohio." Musical Comedy.

DUQUESNE GARDEN
SKATING—Aft. and Eve.
Special Collegiate Public Sessions Every Afternoon.
HOCKEY SATURDAY NIGHT. P. A. C.—PRINCETON

AMUSEMENTS

DUQUESNE This Matinee Tuesday. Thurs. Wed. Sat. and Saturday.
ALL STAR VAUDEVILLE.
Special Matinee Christmas. Week Prices 15, 25, 50, 75.
JOHNSTON BENNETT WILLIAMS & MICHELENA and Others.

EMPIRE 10 TOWN COLLINGWOOD AVE. | Reached by all street car lines
THIS WEEK
Vera Michelena THE PRINCESS CHIC
Matinees Wed., Xmas, (Friday), Saturday.
New York Week—Rebecca Warren—Star of the "3 Coverlids."

B. & B.

sale

The day after Christmas—that's tomorrow—we always make a sale that's remembered.

Tomorrow's sale is to be the greatest the store has made any day after Christmas for 35 years.

All Fancy Holiday Goods—from Art Pottery and Silver to Toys, and all fancy Holiday Goods of whatsoever kind—high cost or low cost—in Every Department, upstairs and down.

half price

—and when this ad says Half Price, that's what it is.

Great majority of the Million people hereabouts come to this store—and know what we do with fancy Holiday goods the day after Christmas.

Those who haven't, and want to find out, and how well it pays, are invited to come tomorrow.

Partial list illustrating just how it's done.

$225.00 for $112.00.	$5.00 for $2.50.
$50.00 for $25.00.	$1.00 for 50c.
$20.00 for $10.00.	50c for 25c.
$10.00 for $5.00.	25c for 13c.
	10c for 5c.

This year there's a new big China Room—it's on the third floor.

That's where you want to get to early—reached by all elevators—gets you there as quick as you can get to the rear of the store.

Surplus stock China Dinner Setts.

$27.00 ones, $13.50.	$22.00 ones, $11.00.
$25.00 ones, $12.50.	$18.00 ones, $9.00.
	$16.50 ones, $8.25.

—all are 102-piece setts.

Not all the Dinner Setts are to be sold—only the surplus, as above—patterns that are to be discontinued.

Instead of having the chipped and broken China on tables in the Dry Goods aisle as last year, it will all be on the 3rd floor—

—100 feet of tables with all the chipped and cracked China and Art Pottery—sorted into lots—with divisions for each price lot—and the prices are these, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50c and $1.00.

—no difference how high cost the chipped piece was.

Cut Glass will be sold at just three-fourths of the regular price—and will be so marked.

Dolls and Toys, Hobby Horses, Animals, etc., etc.—Combination Pool and Billiard Tables—half price—these immense big floors to be cleared, as the room is needed and is to be used for lines of goods that are wanted the year round.

Pictures and Furniture on the second floor and all of them that aren't just perfect or any there's a surplus of Half Price tomorrow—Screens likewise.

$15.00 Pictures, $7.50—$12.00 ones, $6.00—$7.00 ones, $3.50—$5.00 ones, $2.50—$2.00 ones, $1.00—$1.00 ones, 50c—50c ones, 25c—25c ones, 12½c.

The Furniture includes all the Odd Furniture, only kind we have, except Teakwood.

Some of the Teakwood goes at Half—not all—but all the other Furniture—Poker Cabinets, Cellarettes, Chairs, Tables, Desks—everything Half Price.

Jewelry and Silverware Department—largely extended this year—much more room in the new store—Federal Street Front.

Stocks and variety were large—therefore sale will be just that much more interesting.

The Fancy Silver and Novelties and Jewelry—Art Pieces and some Clocks, Opera Glasses, etc., Half Price.

So there will be no misunderstanding—notice is given that not all the Silver will be included in the sale—as many things in this department are just as staple as Black Broadcloth.

leather goods

This is a great department here—and it had the greatest business in the store's history.

While Leather Goods are classed as fancy, most of them are not—are really wanted and useful.

Nevertheless, all fancy Leather Goods and Novelties, and all that are slightly scuffed, including Dress Suit Cases and Traveling Bags, Half Price.

Long Center Counters in Dress Goods aisle—South Diamond Street Store—will be used for the great Leather Goods sale.

Toilet Goods, Brushes and Novelties—assortments too varied to admit of detail—but this department will pay all to visit tomorrow.

Fancy Boxes of fine Writing Paper and Novelties in this line—fine and artistic Photo Frames—never such a variety at Half Price—but only the fancy lines and scuffed boxes this way.

Men's, Women's and Children's Hdkfs, Scarfs and Mufflers all mussed and soiled are exactly Half Price.

All Ladies' Neckwear, mussed and soiled and all the styles that we bought a few too many of, Half Price.

Collar and Cuff Setts, Stocks—of which the variety is extraordinary—therefore great opportunity tomorrow for pretty things at Half Price.

Ostrich Boas, Liberty Silk Ruffs—stylish things—Persian Scarfs, deep and narrow Lace Collars and fancy Neckwear of every fashionable kind—from least expensive to finest—that's mussed, all go at half.

Men's Christmas neckwear and fancy Christmas suspenders all half.

50 cent Ties, 25c—Dollar Ties and Suspenders, 50c—$1.50 ones, 75c—$2.50 ones, $1.25, etc.

books

All the shop worn, even the slightly soiled ones—Half Price.

Lot $1.00 Copyright Books 50c.

Lot 30 cent Cloth Bound Popular Novels, 15c.

Boys' and Girls' 50 cent Books, 25c.

Bibles—somewhat the worse for handling—Half Price.

All the Children's Toy Books that are at all out of condition—Half Price.

calendars

Some fine high cost—$2.00 to $6.50 Calendars—Half Price.

Christmas Dress Patterns—all taken out of the boxes.

Silk Warp Eoliennes, Voiles, Crepes, Granites and Novelty Patterns, $5.50 to $10.00 ones, at $5.00 each tomorrow.

What's left of Mixed Suiting and Tailor Christmas Dress Patterns—all out of boxes—and a Dollar to three dollars off each pattern—and they were under regular price before.

Lot all wool 50-inch Ladies' Cloth Dress Patterns—6 yds. in each, $1.50 a pattern tomorrow.

Lot three-quarter Wool Wrapper Patterns, 7 yards 40 inch goods in each, 50c a pattern—serviceable goods thrown away tomorrow.

Lot Christmas Black Dress Patterns—all out of boxes—various priced lot, were $3.00 to $10.00—all one to three dollars off—do you want good blacks and save that much?—then come tomorrow.

All soiled White Satin, Marseilles and Crochet Bed Spreads and all soiled sample pairs Blankets—reduced enough to make it pay you to get here and get back to the rear of the store tomorrow—some fine Elderdowns away down in price.

Store will be open and Sale will start at 8 o'clock, no earlier—so all will have the same chance to get the pick.

art department

—and floor where corsets and muslin underwear are.

Never such a Christmas Sale in the Art Department—Pillows, Cushion Tops, Cushions and fancy art Novelties—Centerpieces and Scarfs, fine embroidered Linen Centerpieces and Leather Centerpieces, Crochet Bedroom Slippers, etc.

scrap baskets

Half Prices for them.

Sewing Baskets and Hampers included.

Swedish Baskets, Sweet Grass, Fancy Braids and Willows.

Lamps and Fancy Electroliers—medium to fine high cost ones—Half Price.

muslin underwear

Petticoats, Night Gowns, Drawers, Chemise, Corset Covers, including the fine hand made French Underwear that's soiled or mussed.

All out on Counters and Tables, and priced for the Sale tomorrow that women will find it as important to their interests as the Sale of Fancy Holiday Goods, though the Underwear is not all Half Price.

Corsets now in the same section with the Muslin Underwear, and all surplus and broken lines will be closed out tomorrow at such reduced prices—Half Price and less—as will do it quick.

BOGGS & BUHL, Allegheny

WRECK WILL COST B. & O. $700,000

Railroad Will Endeavor to Settle All Demands for Damages Out of Court.

CLAIM AGENT IS AT WORK

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—In claims and damage to equipment and wrecks the wreck of the Duquesne Limited will cost the Baltimore & Ohio railroad nearly $1,000,000. The actual figures are placed at about $700,000.

Three hours after the catastrophe the work of the claim department was begun, and although most of the dead bodies have been identified and the names and locations of the injured and uninjured passengers obtained, it is a difficult matter to determine the exact amount of claims that will undoubtedly be made. It will be the policy of the company to settle out of court. Owing to the great number of victims and the different states in which they resided, the death claims will vary. The "earning capacity" and "lost services" of the dead and injured will also play an important part in the adjustment.

In speaking of the liability of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, General Claim Agent F. C. Shaw, who with 18 assistants has established headquarters at the Yough house, here, said:

Will Settle Out of Court.

"There can be little doubt that the company is liable. The purchasing of a railway ticket from proper representatives entitles the holder to safe transportation to his or her destination. In the case of the Duquesne Limited this duty was not performed so far as 68 persons who were killed, and several more who were injured, were concerned. The company desires to settle all claims out of court. I cannot make a statement as to the liabilities."

The average claim, it is believed, will cost the company about $8,000 in cases of death and from $1,000 to $50,000 for injured passengers. The loss and damage to equipment will be from $20,000 to $25,000, or more; to tracks, several thousands, and in incidental expenses and losses, such as dressing of bodies, hospital and medical fees, delay to service, overtime, etc., several additional thousands. Apart from this, it is expected that claims for slight injuries will be brought against the company for the next six months.

Agents' Work Is Thorough.

In this connection the duty of the claim agents has been most trying and at the same time thorough. The name of every passenger or person aboard the Limited, and their occupations, addresses, etc., have been secured, and from this information the history and condition of each passenger will be traced. The fact that most of the dead ones live in Pittsburgh or Connellsville, or near these cities, will lighten the task. Those of the dead who were in the employ of the railroad at the time of the accident are members of the relief department, and any claims that their legal representatives will make will be settled through this department, and not by the ordinary channels. The death benefits for the employees will range from $2,000 to $5,000, according to the classification of service.

The old constitution of Pennsylvania allowed the dependent relatives of a person killed in a railroad wreck $5,000. This has been changed, however, and the limitation is removed. The limitation of the federal courts is $10,000, while common law makes no limitation. The determination of the claims in this case will largely be a matter for the jury, in the event that adjustment is not made without the power of law.

Policy Is to Settle.

The next largest wreck that the Baltimore & Ohio railroad has had was that at Glencoe, in 1899, in which several persons were killed and 60 injured. Every claim resulting from that accident was settled out of court.

Mr. Shaw has assisting him C. P. Peery, chief clerk, and the following assistant claim agents: W. E. Post, Baltimore; W. J. Smith, Baltimore; Frank Bryne, Pittsburgh; W. Batter, Baltimore; J. Lewis, Jr., Pittsburgh; A. R. Slater, Newark; Howard Atkins, New Castle; G. H. Wordsworth, Cleveland; A. M. Mace, Parkersburg; Horton G. Thompson, Baltimore; C. M. Peery, Cumberland, and C. W. Egan, Philadelphia.

Realizing the burden of the work the claim department had before it, offers of assistance were wired by the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern, the Pittsburgh Coal Company, and other concerns. These Mr. Shaw declined, however, for the present. The service of the Pittsburgh, McKeesport & Youghiogheny railroad, through T. B. Donnelley, claim agent, were accepted.

PAPA'S CHRISTMAS GIFT CAME FROM THE DEAD

Mother and Son Received Gold Locket Taken from the Corpse.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
[From a Staff Correspondent.]

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—Santa Claus takes many guises. When the Christmas journey of Thomas M. Zippler, an elevator constructor of 2514 Frazier street, Pittsburgh, who, with his wife and boy, were on the Duquesne limited Wednesday night bound for Philadelphia, was interrupted by death, that good friend of all, Kris Kringle, was robbed of a happy duty which he would have performed around the glowing hearth of a little Garret street home in the Quaker City that night.

Instead, late this afternoon a small package bearing this inscription: "Morris Brothers, Undertakers, Connellsville. Person of effects of T. M. Zippler, age —, of Pittsburgh, who was killed on the B. O.," was handed the widow, who, with her only son, occupied a room in the Yough hotel.

Exhausted from her all-night vigil with grief, the frail woman greeted the package with a solemnity dire a message of death. The lad, 5 years of age and his father's idol, caught the bundle as his mother, overcome, dropped it. His nimble fingers soon relieved the box with a gleeful ring in his innocent voice he cried, as he held a gold locket:

"Papa's Christmas present."

An hour afterwards an eastbound train, throwing its black clouds of smoke to the sky, was speeding toward Pittsburgh, bearing its burden of Christmas things and two passengers, whose tears were being shed for an object "in the baggage car ahead."

SOON TO HAVE MARRIED RICH LOUISVILLE WOMAN

NEWARK, O., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—J. I. Edgerly, who was one of the victims of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad wreck near Dorcas, Ky., was a resident of Newark, but for some time past had his headquarters in Cincinnati, where he was acting as an organizer for the Lumbermen's association. Mr. Edgerly was to have been married the first of the year to a wealthy widow of St. Louis. He leaves a mother and one sister.

Mrs. Enoch Marratta Dead.

Mrs. Enoch Marratta, aged 79 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lemuel Anderson of East Liverpool. She was well known in Beaver. Mrs. Marratta is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Anderson, and Miss Catherine of Pittsburgh, and one son, Harry Anderson of Beaver.

COLOMBIA'S LAST WAIL PREPARED

Gen. Reyes Has Note Ready to Present to the State Department.

QUESTION OF TITLE INVOLVED

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PANAMA, Dec. 24.—C. Mallet, the British consul, has officially informed the junta that he has received a cablegram from the British foreign office to the effect that Great Britain formally recognizes the republic of Panama.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.

Gen. Rafael Reyes, Colombia's special envoy here, has completed a note of remonstrance against the course of the Washington government since Panama proclaimed its independence and against the recognition accorded the new republic by President Roosevelt. He will present this note to Secretary Hay on Saturday and then will be reached the most important point of the negotiations. This note will suggest new ground on which the canal may be built without Colombia's losing Panama.

The precise character of these proposals is not, however, disclosed. Gen. Reyes has worked single-handed in the preparation of this note, forgetting the elections in Colombia which have probably made him president of the republic despite his declination to be a candidate, and he has demonstrated by his discreet bearing in a delicate position that he possesses diplomatic as well as military talent.

Senor Quesada, the Cuban minister, called at the state department in excellent spirits today to inform Mr. Loomis that Cuba had decided to recognize the new republic of Panama. The addition of the South American states, one by one to the list of those who have recognized Panama, is discouraging to Colombia, and shows her that she can depend on few of her sisters, if any, in a belligerent policy toward the United States.

HUSBAND AND BROTHER DEAD SIDE BY SIDE

Disaster Had Pursued the Family of Merrill K. Smith of Connellsville.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
[From a Staff Correspondent.]

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 24.—Fate seemed to decree that sorrow should visit the household of Merrill K. Smith on this Christmas season. Not long ago a little child, the only one that blessed that home, was borne to the grave, and last night Mrs. Smith received the intelligence that her husband and her brother had met death in the wreck of the Duquesne limited.

Mr. Smith was assistant train dispatcher of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Connellsville, and was recognized as one of the most ambitious of the company's younger employes. On Thursday, with his wife's brother, J. G. Farnum, he had gone to Pittsburgh to buy Christmas presents. Coming back home to Connellsville they sat together in the smoking car of the doomed train. Death came to them as they sat in the seat, and today their friends found their bodies lying side by side in the morgue. Mr. Smith was 32 years of age and was past exalted ruler of the B. P. O. Elks of this place. His remains will be interred at Beaver Falls on Sunday.

The Rev. Father C. Fienello, pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Roman Catholic church, seemed to be marked by a similar fate at a period of his career when the future seemed to offer its brightest promise. Last Sunday he dedicated his new church, and the occasion was one of great rejoicing among the Italian residents of Connellsville. The priest was only 25 years of age. He came from Valva, province of Zerlina, in 1900. He was ordained into the priesthood seven years ago.

JOHN P. COWAN.

NO WEDDING NOW.

Ceremony Had Been Postponed Once and Now the Bridegroom Is Dead.

Robert Davidson, one of the victims of the Dawson disaster, was on the way to Philadelphia to spend Christmas with his sweetheart, Miss Mary Weidman. Mr. Davidson and Miss Weidman were to have married two months ago, but the wedding was postponed. According to Davidson's employers, the marriage ceremony had been arranged for the very near future. Miss Weidman is a Philadelphia girl. Davidson's home is in North Fifth street, Philadelphia, and the bride-to-be resided in that vicinity.

Davidson lived long enough after the accident to tell his name and address, as well as his occupation. He was employed as salesman for Colgate & Co., of this city and had headquarters in Philadelphia. Members of his family learned that Davidson's death was due to burns and that his body was more mangled than any of the victims. He faced death bravely and conversed with those attending him up to the last minute.

The young man had traveled for the Pittsburgh firm but a short time. He was born, reared and educated in Ireland, where his parents now reside. His ability as a salesman attracted wide attention. The Baillie brothers, well-known wholesalers of Philadelphia, are his uncles.

A telegram from The Gazette's bureau in Philadelphia last night said:

"At 8 o'clock this morning Samuel Baillie, living at 1722 North Tenth street, called at the Baltimore & Ohio depot to get news of his nephew, Robert Davidson, who was 26 years old. At that time nothing was known of Davidson's fate, and his name was not in the list of dead and injured. Shortly after Mr. Baille departed, a wire came from Connellsville adding Davidson's name to the list of dead. His body will be brought here."

FOR JUVENILE PRISONERS.

Presents Given to the 14 Youthful Inmates of Allegheny County Jail.

Warden Edward Lewis of the Allegheny county jail received a number of presents yesterday for his juvenile prisoners. County Controller James Cunningham sent the children an 18-pound turkey, which will be served to them today. James W. Houston, a grocer at 1235 Liberty avenue, sent baskets of oranges and apples. Mrs. Kreuger of 200 Penn avenue gave a quantity of boys' clothing, consisting of underwear, shirts, waists and suits. These were taken to the juvenile department and distributed. "I will make the day a pleasant one for them," said Warden Lewis. There are 13 boys and one girl awaiting the sitting of the juvenile court.

The National Stockman and Farmer comes to us in its Christmas dress. The many readers in the homes reached by the Stockman may well feel proud of being subscribers to a paper which gives to the farmer, stockman and breeder the best of everything for the advancement of the varied agricultural interests. We congratulate the publishers on its appearance as well as attractive cover of their Christmas number. Its columns are rich with information from cover to cover with matters of interest to the stockman, farmer and breeder.

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CHRISTMAS IN PLAGUED BUTLER

Gifts Are to Be Distributed Today Among the Afflicted Families.

MORE DEATHS ARE EXPECTED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 24.—No deaths from typhoid have occurred during the day. Four new cases were reported to Health Officer R. B. McQuiston. They were Sheridan Craig, Locust street; Catherine Liebler, Mifflin street; Mrs. Williard Tilton, East Cunningham street; Campbell Brown, Cecilia street. Two other cases were reported to the executive committee by the chairman of the ward committees, making a total of six for the day. The new cases now developing are all supposed to arise from secondary infection. The state board of health has forbidden the cutting of ice on the Connoquenessing creek and its tributaries, where the streams are polluted with typhoid germs.

This evening two prominent citizens, Attorney B. C. McFarland and William J. Marks, are reported to be past all hopes of recovery.

At 10 o'clock Christmas morning the attorneys of the Butler bar will meet to take action on the death of Attorney Alexander Murray Cornelius, whose remains will be buried in the afternoon. All day long the women of the auxiliary relief committee and of the Red Cross society have been visiting the homes where fever exists and of the poor and needy, whether well or sick, distributing Christmas gifts among the children. At noon the nurses will partake of an elaborate Christmas dinner in the Second Presbyterian church. This evening the 12 nurses who have had their sleeping quarters in the Good Will company rooms presented the hose company with a splendid easy chair.

Called on the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Secretary Root and Representative Cooper were the only callers, who saw President Roosevelt at the White House this morning. Mr. Cooper is chairman of the committee on insular affairs, and it is supposed his call had to do with business in which his committee is interested. The president took his daily horseback ride before luncheon.

Tammany Now Rules New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Mayor-elect George B. McClellan took the oath of office today. He also announced two more appointments, John F. Oakley as commissioner of the department of water supply, gas and electricity, and George E. Best, commissioner of Bridges. Mr. Oakley and Mr. Best are active members of Tammany hall.

CHANCE FOR DREYFUS TO SECURE VINDICATION

Revision Recommended and Court Will Take Up His Case Next Month.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The Dreyfus commission today unanimously recommended a revision of the case by the criminal branch of the court of cassation. The court will assemble next month to hear the case.

The news of the decision of the commission was communicated to Dreyfus by personal friends this evening.

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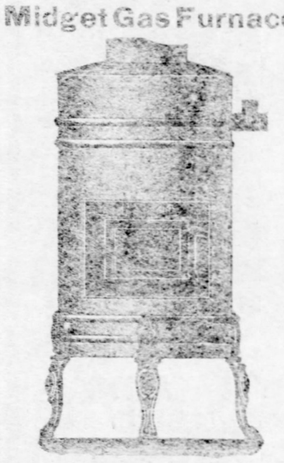

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It has been a source of wonderful profit to thousands who see the wisdom of purchasing these goods and laying them aside. We're losing money on every article we sell at ½ off, but we realize the importance of closely adhering to our policy, which has made the Leader a distinct triumph. "To dispose of every article, no matter what we lose, rather than carry the goods over until next year!" These are all bona fide reductions, you can be your own salesman—simply deduct one-half from the plainly marked prices attached to each article.

Millinery at ½ Price.

We have about 400 stylish dress hats left. Mostly black—trimmed with Ostrich Plumes—they all will be sold tomorrow at strictly half the marked price, for instance:

All our $15.00 Hats go at $7.50.
All our $12.00 Hats go at $5.98.
All our $9.00 Hats go at $4.50.
All our $6.00 Hats go at $2.98.
All our $5.00 Hats go at $2.98.

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$5.00 Pictures reduced to..... $1.25
$6.00 Pictures reduced to..... $2.00
$8.00 Pictures reduced to..... $2.50
$10.00 Pictures reduced to..... $3.50
$3.00 Pictures reduced to..... $1.00
$2.00 Pictures reduced to..... 75c
$1.00 Pictures reduced to..... 25c

All more or less damaged.

SUITS, COATS, SKIRTS AT ¼ TO ½ OFF.

Broken Lines Left Over from Our Xmas Rush—Will Close Them Out at the Following Prices:

$5.00 for Fine Satin Lined Tan Kersey Box Coats, slightly soiled; reduced from $10 and $12.

$5.00 for Twenty-five Jacket Suits in Misses sizes; also suitable for small women; reduced from $12.00 to $15.00.

$10.00 and $15 for Fine Tailor Made Suits in a variety of materials in this winter's best styles; twenty-five suits in the lot; reduced from $25.00.

CHILDREN'S COATS.

$3.98 for Odd Lots of Coats for Children to 4 years and Long Coats up to 14 years, in all colors; sold up to $8.00.

STYLISH WAISTS.

49c for Slightly Soiled and Mussed Cotton Shirt Waists in white and colors; reduced from $1.00 and $2.00.

$1.25 for Slightly Soiled Shirt Waists of fine Mercerized Cotton, some are wrapped lined; reduced from $2.00 and $2.00.

$2.98 for Silk Shirt Waists in black, white, pink, blue; Silk Peau de Soie Shirt Waists, pond plaits back, front and sleeves, with forgotten silk front, cuffs and collar, special for Saturday.

$2.98 for Lace Waists, Ecru or Allover lace White Waists. Special for Saturday.

Soiled and Mussed Furs at ¼ to ½ Off Regular Prices.

Fur Scarfs, fancy Black Coney Scarfs with flat crawl ends and metal clasp, fur and satin lined. Sold at $4.50. Saturday... $2.25

Black Mourning Long Scarfs, with brush tail ends. Sold at $3.98. Reduced for Saturday... $2.00

Isabella and Bable Fox Brush Tail Straight Scarfs. Sold up to $10.00. Saturday... $5.98

Great collection of Long and Short Scarfs in all the popular furs. Sold up to $15. Saturday, $15 and down to... $3.95

Children's Fur Sets, slightly soiled, at one-half price at... 75c
$2.00, $3.00 and...

Men's Furnishings at ½.

Cashmere Mufflers, worth 75c, at... 25c
Men's 10c Initial Handkerchiefs... 10c
Men's 12½c Pure Linen Handkerchiefs... 6c
Silk Mufflers, worth $2.25, at... 98c
Silk and Cashmere Mufflers, worth $1.00, at... 50c
Neckwear, 4 in hands, worth 98c, at... 50c
Shirts, stiff bosoms, worth 75c, at... 25c
Shirts, soft bosoms, worth 98c, at... 50c
Men's one-half hose, wool, worth 25c, at... 15c

Women's Hosiery & Underwear at ½ Price

Women's Fleeced Hose, worth 25c, at... 12½c
Children's Heavy Cotton Hose, worth 19c, at... 9c
Misses' Cotton Union Suits, worth 39c, at... 19c
Women's Vests and Pants, worth 50c, at... 24c
Women's Oneita Union Suits, worth 98c, at... 48c

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Automobile and Carriage Rugs, fitted with 2 and 3 pieces real and imitation Walrus, Seal, Polar Bear; former prices $2.25, $1.48 and 48c; to close out at $1.48, 98c and... 25c

Fans, Hand Painted and Spangled Goods; worth 50c and 75c; all go at... 25c

Women's Handkerchiefs, lace edge and embroidery edge handkerchiefs; former price 25c, 15c and 5c; all slightly soiled and mussed; to close out at 12½c, 9c and... 2c

Women's Neckwear, big quantity, tab stock collars, made of Taffeta, Etamine and Venice lace, hand beaded and lace trimmed, etc., some slightly mussed; worth 25c, to close out at... 12c

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Day Express, daily... 8.00 a. m.
Main Line Express, daily... 8.00 a. m.
Philadelphia and New York Express, daily... 12.00 noon
Harrisburg Mail, daily... 12.50 p. m.
Harrisburg Express, daily... 4.30 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily... 4.55 p. m.
Fast Line, daily... 8.05 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily... 9.00 p. m.
Fast Line, daily... 10.00 p. m.
For Buffalo and Niagara Falls, 9.00 a. m., 11.00 p. m.
For Oil City, 9.15, 9.00 a. m., 3.30, 5.00 and 11.00 p. m. Sundays, 9.00 a. m. and 11.00 p. m.
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SANE GIANT TERRORIZED CITY

Cincinnati Railroad Men Have Strenuous Day With a Lunatic.

BATTLE AT POLICE STATION

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.—Frenzied by the taunts of men and boys, Francis Zahle, aged 25, created a reign of terror of terror in the West End early this morning that will long be remembered. He first appeared in the Big Four railroad yards, where he was found running up and down the tracks, striking trainmen and wrenching the lanterns from the switches.

He shrieked and waved his arms until the trainmen thought it was the fiend incarnate. The men tried to catch him, but he leaped from the top of a boxcar and was lost in the darkness.

Word was then sent to the police, but when they arrived there was no trace of the crazy man. He was next heard from at the stables of the Ice Delivery Company, where he attacked the men in charge and then left, taking two horses with him. The police were again telephoned to and met him a few blocks away. When ordered to stop, Zahle turned the horses loose and attacked the officers.

The man, who is a giant, seemed possessed with supernatural strength, and was readily getting the better of the officers when the patrol crew came up and finally succeeded in getting him into the patrol wagon, where three men had to sit on him. At the station house the man freed himself and fought the officers for 15 minutes, when they succeeded in pushing him into a cell.

A half hour later he was discovered trying to cut his throat and another battle ensued, where it took five policemen to overpower him and take the knife away from him. The frenzied man was later committed to the county insane asylum.

As a result of this morning's fighting, about 15 citizens and a dozen policemen are nursing bruised bodies and mourning the loss of clothes and uniforms that Zahle tore into shreds.

UNIVERSAL PEACE SENTIMENT GROWS

France and Italy to Sign a Treaty In Which Great Britain May Join Eventually.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The treaty of arbitration between France and Italy, which is to be signed here in a few days, is considered in official quarters as having an important bearing on the relations of a number of the European powers. The treaty is brief and its terms are almost identical with those of the Anglo-French treaty.

The main significance of the document is its being between France and one of the parties to the triple alliance. Hitherto France has considered the members of the triple alliance as being leagued against her in case of another Franco-German uprising, but the new Franco-Italian treaty is construed as giving an assurance of Italy's neutrality as between France and Germany. It is also expected that the treaty will obviate differences in case of an Italian occupation of Tripoli.

The Anglo-French and Franco-Italian treaties grew out of the exchange of visits between King Edward and President Loubet, and King Victor Emmanuel and the French president, and it is generally expected that the movement will ultimately embrace Great Britain, France and Italy in a pacific understanding having the same general lines as the treaties already made.

FUEL SUPPLY EXHAUSTED WHEN SHIP WAS ON OCEAN

Passengers and Crew Chopped Up Wood Work, but Without Avail.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24.—The steamer Olympia, which arrived today, brought Harrington and McDonough, mining engineers, and counsel for the Northeastern Siberian Company. They tell of an interesting voyage of the steamer Manuense, which has since been totally wrecked.

Owing to the failure to secure coal from the Northeastern Siberian Company, the Manuense was left helpless within a day's run from Hakodate. Her crew and passengers broke up the afterhouse, tore up the "between decks" and broke up the cases of salmon and the ship's fittings for fuel. The lumber and preserved fish were fed to the furnace, but the steamer was unable to make headway, owing to the heavy weather.

She drifted 135 miles back to Akishi bay, whence telegrams were sent to Hakodate for coal relief. Since the departure of the Olympia cables have told of the total loss of the steamer, after stranding on the Japanese coast.

BRYAN IN BERLIN.

The Kaiser May Receive Him. Americans Plan Entertainments.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—William J. Bryan arrived here today from St. Petersburg. He was met by Dr. Otto Ahrendt, a member of the Reichstag and one of the principal advocates of bimetallism in Germany. Mr. Bryan goes to Copenhagen tonight and returns here Saturday. He will be entertained then, privately, at luncheon by Embassador Tower. The American chamber of commerce will give Mr. Bryan a reception Saturday evening. His presence in Berlin has formally been brought to the attention of Emperor William by Baron Von Richthofen, the secretary of foreign affairs, and possibly an audience will be the result.

Battle for Fair Estate Not Ended.

BOULDER, COL., Dec. 24.—C. J. Smith, brother of the late Mrs. Charles T. Fair, and one of the claimants disputing the inheritance of the Fair estate, today denied the report emanating from New York that he and his co-claimants have agreed to settle and discontinue the contest if allowed $125,000 apiece.

Dies of Spider's Bite.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 24.—Phillip F. Berrigan, a grain commission merchant and formerly British vice consul at Kansas City, died here today from blood poisoning, the result of a spider's bite.

CABLE BRIEFS.

PARIS—Striking bakers smashed windows and 20 arrests were made. Mounted patrols circulate.

ST. PETERSBURG—The governor general of Finland has deported to remote districts native officials and school teachers who oppose Russia's policy.

BERLIN—Dr. Von Holleben, former German embassador to the United States, intends, as chairman of the German Colonial society, to reside in Berlin.

FLUSHING, HOLLAND—The Red Star line steamer Finland, which went ashore December 15 at Nieuwersluis, has been floated. The damage is unknown.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

DEATH PUTS END TO STORMY LIFE

Moody Merrill, a Boston Fugitive Who Became Rich in the West, Dies.

ONCE PROMINENT POLITICIAN

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 24.—Moody Merrill of Boston, alias C. F. Grayson of Silver City, died suddenly today at Silver City from pneumonia. Merrill, it is said, had held very high positions in Boston whence he suddenly disappeared and was supposed to be dead until a short time ago, when political enemies revealed his whereabouts and he was arrested in New York city on serious financial charges. In New Mexico he had made a new fortune, represented the Coiers of New York in the southwest and had been president of the Silver City National bank.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A telegram announcing the death of Moody Merrill, formerly a prominent financier of Boston at Silver City, N. M., was received in this city today.

Under Indictment in Boston.

For a number of years Mr. Merrill had been in the banking business in New Mexico, having gone west on account of alleged difficulties arising from the unfortunate investment of money given him by others. He was under indictment here on a charge of embezzlement, based on some of these alleged transactions, carried on about 10 years ago. He was arrested on this charge in New York a few months ago and brought here, but he disappeared before his case was called for trial.

The telegram announcing his death was the first intimation of Merrill's whereabouts since he failed to answer to the indictment found against him. The police had been exerting in vain every effort to find the man.

Merrill made and lost several fortunes. In 1888 to 1871 he was a member of the Massachusetts house of representatives, and the following two years he served in the state senate. His ambition was to be mayor of Boston. In the fall of 1890 he succeeded in defeating Thomas N. Hart for a renomination by the Republicans, but he lost at the polls to Nathan Matthews, Jr., the Democratic nominee.

In New Mexico under the name of Col. Charles F. Grayson, Merrill carried on extensive and profitable business ventures.

He Fought Extradition.

When Merrill was arrested in New York he made a determined fight against extradition to this state, but the application for his removal was finally signed by Gov. Odell. When the case was reached in October, Merrill failed to appear. While under arrest in New York, he insisted that he had sent money to Boston, which he had been given to understand had been applied to the liquidation of many of the claims of those whose money he had invested.

Boston police officials said today that while the indictments against Merrill did not name a large sum as having been misappropriated the police had complaints from a multitude of people involving the alleged conversion of nearly half a million dollars. The principal indictment against Merrill charged the larceny of $19,000 from Mrs. Sarah Cohen.

KAISER AS SANTA.

Will Distribute Christmas Coins During His Walk Today.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Emperor William and his sons were present this evening at a Christmas tree party, for the benefit of the families of one of the infantry regiments. The emperor will take his usual walk in the neighborhood of Potsdam tomorrow and will give new flybmark pieces to whoever he happens to meet.

PITTSBURGH CONCERN TO OPERATE IN OHIO

The Freehold Oil and Gas Company of Pittsburgh has been authorized to operate in Ohio and headquarters will be opened in Martins Ferry. The company is capitalized at $500,000 and owns property in Belmont, Georgia and Ashland counties. Former Senator William Flinn is president and R. E. Flinn secretary and treasurer.

YOU WILL BE ALL SMILES AGAIN.

Forget Your Stomach and You'll Have a Santa Claus Face.

HOW TO DO IT.

If there is one thing more than all others that will give a man a forlorn and friendless appearance and make him morbid and "cranky" and disagreeable, that thing is dyspepsia. It makes one forget his friends and become morose and irritable. He is so wrapped up in his own misery that he is inconsiderate of everyone else. Relieved of this terrible and depressing ailment, he again becomes a good fellow and a man among men.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are beyond question the most effective and popular remedy ever offered to the sufferers of this terrible disease. The thousands and thousands of cures they have brought about and the enormous increase of their sales fully attest the truth of this statement.

They are, above all, a natural remedy. They possess exactly the same properties that the gastric juices and other digestive fluids of the stomach possess and they actually do the direstive work of the stomach and enable that organ to rest and recuperate and become sound and well. They act in a mild, natural manner and cause no disturbance in the digestive organs. They prevent any fermentation of the food which causes sour stomach. In fact, under their influence the subject forgets that he has a stomach and his resulting cheerfulness presents a great contrast to his former dejection.

Millions of boxes of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are sold annually and they are but in the dawn of their popularity. Every mail brings letters of thanksgiving from grateful ones who have been cured of this terrible disease. The following is one of hundreds received each week:

Rev. J. R. Hoag of Wymore, Neb., writes: "For six years have been troubled with dyspepsia. Last fall I became very much alarmed at some symptoms of heart trouble and came to believe there was a sympathetic relation between the two diseases, or rather, that the stomach trouble was the cause of the heart disturbance. I hit upon Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets for a remedy and invested a dollar and a half for three boxes, which lasted me three months and I can eat any kind of food I want and have a good, vigorous appetite. Although I am 77 years old, I now feel perfectly well and without being requested by anyone I make this statement as a compliment to the virtues of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets."

HORNE-STEWART Co

DRY GOODS

Friday 25 December 1903.

Merry Christmas

"We ring the bells and we raise the strain,
We hang up garlands everywhere,
And bid the tapers twinkle fair,
And feast and frolic—then we go
Back to same old life again."

233-235 Fifth Avenue

We Wish You All A Merry Xmas.
Store Closes Saturday at 6:30 P. M.

THE WOMAN'S STORE · EASILY REACHED BY ALL CARS
ROSENBAUM COMPANY

Your Christmas Money Will Come in Very Handy Saturday!
Store Closes Saturday at 6:30 P. M.

ENORMOUS REDUCTIONS

The reductions of themselves are simply unparalleled, but when you consider how much better our garments are than the ordinary kinds—how much finer they're made—how stunning the styles—how splendid the qualities—yes, when you consider all these things, you must realize this is the most extraordinary bargain news you've ever read.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS
Enormous Reductions

These suist are all of superior style and workmanship—the masterpieces of the finest men tailors in the land.

$30.00 and $35.00 tailor made suits in either cloth or velvet, reduced to..... $18.00
$40.00, $42.00 and $45.00 tailor made suits reduced to..... $25.00
$16.50, $18.00 and $20.00 broadcloth and velvet shirt waist suits and dresses reduced to..... $11.50

SHIRT WAISTS
Enormous Reductions

Come as early as you can—the choice is large—but they'll sell very quickly at these heavy reductions.

Women's Peau de Soie and Peau de Cygne or taffeta silk waists, new styles reduced from $5.00 and $6.50 to..... $2.50
Women's vesting and Madras waists, new styles, reduced from $1.00 and $1.50 to..... 69c
Women's all wool flannel or plaid waists reduced from 75c and $1.00 to..... 39c

JACKETS
Enormous Reductions

Undoubtedly the heaviest reductions in beautiful, new jackets made this season. The picture on the right gives a slight idea of their chic style.

Odds and ends of ladies' coats, either short, tight-fitting or box, either silk or satin lined, reduced to..... $3.50
Regular $10.00 and $12.00 ladies' or misses' all wool kersey or melton, and zibeline coats, in the newest style and all the leading shades, reduced to..... $6.90
Regular $13.50 ladies' or misses' "Peter Thompson" coats in either black or blue, made of all wool unfinished wooster cloth, or all wool cheviot lined with red flannel, reduced to. $6.90
Regular $13.50, $15.00, $16.50, $18.00 and $20.00, 27 inch, 30 inch, or three-quarter length kersey coats or velvet blouses reduce to.. $9.25
Regular $16.50, $18.00 and $20.00 long coats in all wool kersey and melton, also waterproof cravenette coats, at..... $9.65

Women's slightly soiled 25c holiday neckwear reduced to..... 10c

FURS
Enormous Reductions

Regular $6.00 and $7.50 fur scarfs reduced to..... $4.90
Regular $10.00, $11.50 and $12.00 fur scarfs reduced to..... $7.50
Regular $16.50 and $18.00 scarfs reduced to..... $10.00
Regular $15.00 and $16.50 sable or Isabella fox cushion Muffs, reduced to..... $10.00
Regular $18.00 and $20.00 cushion Muffs in Isabella or sable fox, reduced to..... $13.50

SKIRTS
Enormous Reductions

Regular $5.00 and $6.00 walking skirts in melton or fancy mixtures, made in the newest styles, reduced to..... $3.25
Regular $6.50, $7.50 and $8.50 walking or dress skirts in broadcloth, Venetian, melton and fancy mixtures, made in the newest styles, reduced to.... $4.25
Regular $8.50, $9.50 and $10.00 walking or dress skirts in covert, cheviot, kersey, or melton; also novelty cloth, made in the newest styles, reduced to..... $5.25
Regular $13.50 and $15.00 walking skirts made of the finest kersey, melton, cheviot, covert, and novelty materials, reduced to..... $7.25

CHILDREN'S COATS
Enormous Reductions

Regular $6.50 and $7.50 full length children's coats, sizes from 6 to 14, reduced to..... $4.25
Regular $8.50, $9.00 and $10.00 children's coats, sizes from 6 to 14, in full length, reduced to..... $6.25
Regular $5.00 and $6.00 children's velvet coats, sizes 1 year up to 6 years, reduced to.. $3.50

DRESSING SACQUES

Women's elderdown or ripple cloth dressing sacques, reduced from $1 and $1.50 to..... 50c

½ OFF! On All Fancy Holiday Goods

At this writing, 4 P. M. Thursday afternoon, it is simply impossible to mention all the articles reduced to half. But come tomorrow morning and you'll find many tables full of holiday goods, such as burnt wood articles, toilet cases, mirrors, manicure sets, glove and handkerchief boxes, jewelry, china, pictures, calendars, fancy articles in the art embroidery department, etc., at half price—and so marked. Remember, this does not include every article in the house. If you are acquainted with the original prices, you'll know these reductions are genuine when you see the merchandise.

OTHER ENORMOUS REDUCTIONS

Curtains, Portieres, Bedding

Irish Point Curtains—choice of beautiful styles—just a few pairs of each left—value $8.50 pair—Saturday choice..... $6.98
Tapestry Portieres—Armures, Mercerized Satins and Reps—value $14.00 pair—Saturday..... $10.50
Oriental Tapestry Couch Covers, made of extra heavy reversible material—heavily fringed—60 inches wide, 2 yds. long—value $5.00—Saturday..... $3.75
Rope Portieres—valence top—7 ft. long—5 ft. wide—colors red, green, blue and pink—all two tone effects—value $3.50—Saturday..... $1.00
Bed Spreads—slightly soiled—left overs from the holiday trade—values are from 89c up to $2.98 each—Saturday your choice at..... ½ Off
Japanese Fire Side Screens—Genuine bamboo frame beautifully gold embroidered on satin cloth—in black, green and red—value $2.25—Saturday..... $1.75
Bamboo Portieres—in red, blue and green—in the latest Japanese floral patterns—value $3.00 each—Saturday..... $2.25

Underwear

Odds and Ends of Women's All-Wool Vests and Pants—white or natural—value $1.25 garment—Saturday..... 75c
Women's Bleached Vests and Pants—fleeced—value 50c garment—Saturday..... 35c
Boys' and Girls' Part-Wool Vests, Pants and Drawers—white or natural—sizes 16 to 34—value 50c garment—Saturday..... 25c
Women's Flannelette Gowns—value 50c—Saturday..... 35c
Children's Flannelette Gowns—value 50c—Saturday..... 25c
Women's Flannelette Gowns—slightly soiled from showing—values are $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75—Saturday your choice at..... $1.00

Aprons

Lawn Aprons—hemstitched—value 15c—Saturday..... 10c
Gingham Aprons—value 20c—Saturday..... 14c
Fancy Lawn and Swiss Aprons—Beautifully embroidered, lace trimmed, medallion trimmed—some finished with ribbon—slightly soiled from show windows, cases, etc—the values are from 50c to $2.50—Saturday your choice at..... ½ Off

Hosiery

Women's Fancy French Lisle Hose—lace boot and fancy top—also all-over patterns—value 50c pair—Saturday..... 38c
Women's Pure Silk Hose—in evening shades—value $2.00 pair—Saturday..... $1.50
Women's Black Silk Hose—beautifully embroidered—value $3.50, $3.00 and $2.50 pair—Saturday..... $2.00

Children's Wear

Children's Sweaters—all colors—ages 2 to 4 years—value $1.50—Saturday..... 75c
Children's White Angora Tams—value 25c—Saturday..... 15c
Wool Toques—all colors—slightly soiled—value 25c and 35c—Saturday..... 19c
Wool Crochet Shawls—white or black—plain or fringed—value $1.00—Saturday..... 69c
Boys' Russian Blouses and Dresses—values from $2.50 to $6.00—Saturday..... ⅓ Off
Children's Cashmere Dresses—value $3.00 to $5.00—Saturday..... ⅓ Off

Handkerchiefs.

Women's Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs—value 15c each—Saturday $1.10 dozen, or, each..... 10c
Women's Swiss Lace Edge Handkerchiefs—value 12½c and 15c each—Saturday..... 8c
Women's Fancy Handkerchiefs—slightly soiled—Swiss embroidered, linen embroidered and lace edges—value 65c and 75c each—Saturday..... 38c
Our Fine Handkerchiefs—All linen—Point lace edges and insertions—embroidered and Mexican drawn work—values range from 75c to $2.00 each—Saturday your choice at..... ⅓ Off

Gloves

Women's Kid Gloves—1 large pearl clasp—Paris point stitching—come in all shades and sizes—value $1.50 and $1.25 pair—Saturday..... 68c
Women's Golf Gloves—value 25c pair—Saturday..... 14c
Golf Gloves—value 50c and 65c pair—at..... 35c
Black Cashmerette Gloves—value 25c pair—at..... 10c

Eureka Harness Oil is the best preservative of raw leather and the best renovator of old leather. It oils, softens, adds life and protects. Use Eureka Harness Oil on your best harness, your old harness, and your carriage top, and they will look better, last better and wear longer. Sold everywhere in cans—all sizes from half pint to five gallons. Made by STANDARD OIL CO.

TYPEWRITERS.
Special Sale.

For the next 60 days we will sell No. A and B Manhattan Typewriters at $42.50, and No. 9 Manifolding Typewriters at $50.00. A rare opportunity. All other makes of machines sold and repaired. F. S. Webster Co.'s Carbons and Ribbons.

F. S. WEBSTER CO.
432 Diamond St.

618 PENN AVE.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 40, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a public sewer on Ella avenue, from end of present sewer to north line of Mayfield avenue, Tenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 47, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading and paving Ohio street, from West Magnolia street to the Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad, ——— ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 42, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a public sewer on Blame street, from Brighton road to a point 150 feet west of Stanton street, Eleventh ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 43, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a public sewer on Ella avenue, from end of present sewer to north line of Mayfield avenue, Tenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 44, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a public sewer on Blame street, from Brighton road to a point 150 feet west of Stanton street, Eleventh ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 45, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading, paving and drainage by grade of Arcola street, from Spring Garden avenue to Water road, Seventh ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 46, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading, paving and curbing Hatfield street, from Forty-first avenue to Fifty-first avenue, Twelfth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 48, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading, paving and curbing Hatfield street, from Forty-first avenue to Fifty-first avenue, Twelfth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

Closed today——Annual "half-off" sale, tomorrow

KAUFMANN'S
"THE BIG STORE"

AFTER-XMAS HALF OFF SALE

Entire stock of toys and dolls at ½ marked prices

AN unrestricted mark down, no one article excepted; you can select with a free hand, for *every article on the two entire toy and doll floors (2nd and 3rd floors, new annex) will be sold for exactly half the plainly marked price*—for just half the price that prevailed up until last night.

It is "The Big Store's" annual custom to inaugurate right after Christmas a one-half off sale on holiday merchandise. The storm of Christmas selling leaves in its wake odd lots and broken lines—a half dozen of this—a quarter dozen of that—and so on. In order to rid ourselves of this flotsom and jetsom of merchandise—highly desirable to you, mind you in every way—we cut prices one-half. In some instances even more. Represented in this Half Price Sale are

Choice pieces of art ware, bric-a-brac, lamps, furniture, leather goods of every description, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, silverware, slippers for men and women, smoking jackets, lounging robes, pictures, fancy novelties of every character, jewelry, wearables for men, women and children, furs, toys—in fact, almost everything that goes to make up a complete holiday stock of merchandise is included in this Half Price Sale.

½ OFF Fancy boxes

EVERYTHING left over from before Christmas in celluloid toilet cases, manicure sets, etc., fine hand-painted boxes—nothing the matter with them—they are holiday novelties and they have to go. We have put them on the half price table to make choosing easy.

A lot of toilet cases, ½ price.
A lot of manicure sets, ½ price.
A lot of workboxes, ½ price.
A lot of collar and cuff boxes, ½ price.
A lot of handkerchief boxes, ½ price.
A lot of glove boxes, ½ price.
Smokers' articles, in boxes, ½ price.
A lot of shaving sets, ½ price.
A lot of photo boxes, ½ price.
A lot of photo albums, ½ price.
A lot of leather trinkets, ½ price.

Leather goods A lot of fine wrist, carriage and automobile bags (not our entire stock) at ½ marked prices.

A lot of fine imported leather pocketbooks (not our entire stock) at ½ marked prices.

A lot of Hotsuke bags, (not entire stock) at half marked prices.

Umbrellas All men's and women's umbrellas marked $7, $8, $9, $10, $11, $12, $13, $14 and $15 go at just half the marked prices.

½ OFF Bronzes

OUR entire stock of French and German bronzes, figures and busts (none reserved) at ½ off marked prices.

Electroliers—large or small, in bronze effect, at half the marked prices.

Curios, fancy articles, real bronzes, miniatures, ivories, filigree silver articles, etc., at ½ marked prices.

A lot of fancy gold boxes, jewel boxes, inkstands and other fancy novelties, all placed on separate counters to go at ½ the marked prices.

Sterling goods— not our entire stock, but numerous articles all of which have been placed on a large separate table—at half the marked prices.

A lot of high class opera and side bags, in bead, gold and silver (not entire stock) at half the marked prices.

A lot of imported jewelry such as brooches, belt pins, belt buckles, etc., at half the marked prices.

All gun metal match boxes, cigarette cases, cigar cutters and pocket knives, also a few silver cigarette and cigar cases, at ½ the marked prices.

Clocks, about 50 imported clocks, also a few domestic clocks, at ½ the marked prices.

Watches—about 30 women's high class chatelaine watches, in fancy enamel, art nouveau and inlaid, gold filled and solid gold, at ½ the marked prices.

½ OFF Pictures

OUR entire stock of framed pictures at half the marked prices. Just think of it! All kinds are included; etchings, autotypes, photogravures, water colors, platinum plate pictures in ebony frames, some in gold and other artistic frames—the popular medallions, too, large and small—landscapes, scenes of life and people, portraits, etc. You can have them all for just half what they are marked, and they are marked 'way below regular picture store prices.

½ OFF Vases

HOW the china basement will be crowded tomorrow with lovers of art pottery, buying the most celebrated wares for half off the marked prices!

The assortment includes Royal Vienna vases—Austrian Vienna vases—Royal Teplitz and Zuid Holland wares—Royal Bonn vases—hand painted limoges china placques—Italian Guglielmo vases—Hadley's Worcester, and oriental and other fine Japanese ornaments and vases—Forrester's English wares—Fine tower Teplitz vases and figures—Royal Bayreuth vases and ornaments—choice pieces of Louweisa ware (exactly like the Rookwood)—Italian marble pedestals—French, German and American bronzes, etc., etc. All these goods have been placed on special tables from which you can take your choice for just half the marked prices.

½ OFF Sporting goods

OUR entire stock of men's and boys' boxing gloves—(Spalding make only excepted)—at half the marked prices—the $2.50 sets for 1.25—the 98c sets for 49c.

All football pants, football jackets, shoes, stockings, shin guards and headgear at just half the former prices.

All wooden dumbells and Indian clubs at just half the marked prices.

All poker sets, dominoes and other games in the sporting goods department at half the marked prices.

Basswood novelties in the pyrography department at the slightly soiled articles at half the marked prices.

Men's all wool sweaters—stripes of alternate colors—marked price 98c, now at ½ off or only 49c.

Boys' heavy ribbed merino sweaters—marked 95c, now at half off or only 12c.

½ OFF China

WE have put all the goods to be sold at half price on special counters—making choosing as easy as possible. All you have to do is to look at the old price mark and pay the saleslady just half.

Fancy china sets—fish sets—game sets—ice cream sets—fruit sets—pudding sets—bread and milk sets—oatmeal sets—cup, saucer and plate sets—salad sets, etc., of French, German and Japanese china, all most artistically decorated, a few slightly scratched but the most without a blemish. Christmas is over, so they go at half the marked prices.

Fancy china pieces—such as cracker jars, chocolate pots, cheese dishes, hot cake dishes, fancy salad dishes, cabarets for fruits, nuts or salads, fruit bowls, syrup jugs, marmalade jars, sugar and cream sets, relish dishes, mayonnaise dishes, etc. French, German and Japanese china, all beautifully shaped and decorated—placed on special tables and choice offered at half the marked prices.

Fancy china plates, of every size and description, decorated china cups and saucers, including after-dinner cups and saucers, tea cups and saucers, coffee cups and saucers and mustache cups and saucers—of French, German and Japanese china, the decorations being most artistic—choice at half the marked prices.

Fancy decorated jardinieres and pedestals—also separate jardinieres, fancy form dishes, fancy cuspidors, fancy decorated tobacco jars, smokers' sets, ash trays, pipe racks, cigar jars, etc., etc.—all to go tomorrow at just half the marked prices.

Half off on lamps

Several hundred choice specimens of fine metal and decorated banquet and reception lamps (also odd fancy globes to match your lamps)—wrought iron lamps and onyx corner lamps and candelabra—choice tomorrow at half the marked prices.

Onyx tables—a number of metal banquet tables, with Mexican onyx tops at half the marked prices.

½ OFF Books

HERE the holiday rush has been so immense that the entire stock is in a state of disorder. We'll quickly close out all the broken lots and slightly scuffed and finger-marked books by offering them tomorow at half price.

A complete list of these hurt books would require almost this entire page. The following offers will, however, give you an idea of what this half price sale means to you.

38 copies of Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch—former price 59c, now 20c.

27 copies of Lady Rose's Daughter—former price $1.98, now half price or 54c.

12 copies of The Courtship and Miles Standish—illustrated by Howard Chandler Christy, former price $1.78, now 90c.

29 copies of The Fortunes of Fifi—former price $1.08, now 54c.

17 copies of Thompson's Lives of the Hunted—former price $1.50, now 75c.

22 copies of Mabie's In Arcady—former price $1.80, now 90c.

33 copies of Booth Tarkington's Cherry—former price 98c, now 45c.

7 copies of Lew Wallace's Ben Hur—former price 98c, now 49c.

22 copies Stewart Edward White's Conjuror's House—former price 98c, tomorrow 45c.

20 copies Captain King's A Daughter of the Sioux—former price $1.98, tomorrow 84c.

9 copies Onoto Watanna's The Heart of Hyacinth—former price $2, tomorrow 1.00.

Keycroft Series of Classics—ooze calf binding—former price 69c, tomorrow 35c.

Famous poets—in padded leather bindings—former price 69c, tomorrow 35c.

Fine gift books of all descriptions, in all the various styles of binding, in sets and single volumes, at half the marked prices.

Our entire stock of standard sets at two discounts—those in perfect condition at ½ off marked prices—those which are in anywise soiled or of which the boxes are broken or missing, go at half the marked prices. All the best authors are represented.

Dainty handy volume classics—in cloth and fine leather binding—a large table full from which to choose from at half the marked prices.

Cloth bound standard books—all the best authors and titles represented—former price 45c, now at half off or 23c.

Best books for boys and girls—hundreds and hundreds of them, fine cloth binding, all the favorite authors represented—former price 45c, now at half off or 23c.

Illustrated children's books, linen books, etc.—half a dozen counters of them to go at half the marked prices.

Miscellaneous lot of Bibles, prayer books, rosaries, etc., at half the marked prices.

Holiday stationery—all that remains of our holiday stationery, at half the marked prices.

½ OFF Calendars and booklets

Our entire stock of Calendars, Christmas Cards and Booklets, without reserve or exception, now goes at half the marked prices. Why not send out a few on New Years?

½ OFF Art goods

EVERYTHING in the art needlework department in the way of fancy goods, such as pin cushions, Renaissance scarfs, Irish point scarfs, pillow tops, glove and handkerchief boxes, burnt wood boxes, work boxes, etc.—most of the goods showing the effects of too much handling—all go tomorrow at just half marked prices.

Fancy Pin cushions, glove boxes and all kinds of novelties, marked 25c, go tomorrow at half off, or only 12c.

50c fancy goods go for only 25c.

$1.00 and $1.25 fancy goods go for 48c.

½ off handkerchiefs— thousands of women's soiled and mussed handkerchiefs sorted on special bargain tables and offered tomorrow at half off the marked prices.

All the soiled and mussed handkerchiefs marked 5c to go tomorrow at half off, or only 2½c.

All the soiled and mussed handkerchiefs marked 10c and 15c go tomorrow for only 5c.

All the soiled and mussed handkerchiefs marked 25c go tomorrow for only 12½c.

½ off neckwear— all the odds women's neckwear, neck ruffs, ties, collars, bishop stocks, etc., all more or less soiled and mussed, go tomorrow at half the marked prices.

Women's neckwear marked 25c goes tomorrow at half off, or only 12c.

Women's neckwear marked 48c to 59c goes tomorrow at half off, or only 25c.

½ OFF Aprons

ANY Swiss apron in stock tomorrow at half the marked prices. A large lot of nurses', waitress' and maids' aprons, all more or less soiled, also go at half price tomorrow.

Silk petticoats—any light colored evening silk petticoat in stock at half the marked price.

All mussed and soiled muslin wear—such as gowns, skirts, chemises and corset covers at half the marked prices.

Lot of fine corsets—imported and domestic, boned with natural whalebone, in fancy materials—at half the marked prices.

Union suits for women and children—heavily fleeced, all sizes—former price 25c, tomorrow 12½c.

Odd lots of children's underwear—in cotton, wool mixed and all wool, not quite all sizes, former price 30c to 75c, tomorrow's price 15c.

All babies' cashmere wrappers, hand embroidered with silk; also lot of infants' sacques and hood shawls, all more or less soiled, at half the marked prices.

Babies' cloaks—any baby's white crystal, taffeta or bengaline long or short coat in stock at half the marked price.

½ OFF Slippers

WOMEN'S felt juliets—fur trimmed, reduced from $1 to 50c.

Women's house slippers—cloth and kid—no heel—reduced from 50c to 25c.

Men's slippers—black vici kid, hand sewed—reduced from $2 to, pair, 1.00.

Broken lines men's slippers—reduced from 75c to, pair, 35c.

Children's jersey leggings—reduced from $1 to 50c.

Infants' patent leather shoes—velvet tops, sizes 1 to 5—reduced from $1 to 50c.

½ OFF Men's wear

STRAY lots and lines, odds and ends and broken dozens of men's furnishings—come in tomorrow and take them for half the marked prices.

A lot of men's ties at half price.
A lot of men's mufflers at half price.
A lot of men's shirts at half price.
A lot of men's suspenders at half price.

Men's handkerchiefs—a lot of odds and ends, plain, fancy and initial—to be closed out at 5c.

Men's silk handkerchiefs—50c and 75c kinds—plain, fancy and initialed—to be closed out at 25c.

½ OFF House coats

OUR entire stock of men's and boys' house coats, bath and lounging robes, without reserve or restriction, tomorrow at just half the marked prices.

½ off on men's vests THE entire stock of men's fancy vests, displayed in the men's clothing dept., goes tomorrow, without reserve or exception, at just half the marked prices.

Men's mackintoshes—in blue, black and tan coverts, marked $6.50, tomorrow at ½ off or only 3.25.

½ OFF Coats furs

THAT we sell more of these garments than any two Pittsburgh stores combined is an open secret. The fact of our having a proportionately large number of broken sizes and odds and ends will astonish nobody. If a fashionable jacket or fur for half its regular price is an object to you be on hand tomorrow.

Lot of women's covert cloth jackets, corset or military effect, tomorrow at half the marked prices:

Women's $5 covert jackets, 2.50.
Women's $10 covert cloth jackets, 5.00.
Woman's $18 covert cloth jackets, 9.00.

Lot of women's silk coats—in heavy peau de sole or taffeta, marked $12, tomorrow at half price or 6.00.

Lot of women's coats—military effect or corset shape—marked $10, tomorrow at half price or 5.00.

Women's long rain coats—gray, tan or black—marked $10, tomorrow at half price or 5.00.

Lot of women's capes—in kersey or plush, medium length—marked $5, tomorrow at half price or 2.50.

Lot of fine fur scarfs—Isabella or sable fox, marked $21, tomorrow at 10.50.

Lot of fine fur scarfs in electric seal, tail trimmed, marked $7.50, tomorrow at 3.75.

All misses' and children's fur sets—without reserve or exception, at half the marked prices: And so on throughout the entire stock.

Genuine Persian lamb coats—marked $75, reduced for tomorrow to 37.50.

Lot of fur scarfs—in fox, muffon, marten or electric seal, marked $5, tomorrow at 2.50.

Lot of fur scarfs, in Isabella or sable fox—marked $10, tomorrow at 5.00.

Women's fur capes—electric seal or moire astrachan—at half marked prices.

A lot of fur jackets—in real Alaska or Copper Island seal—marked $190, tomorrow at 95.00.

½ on men's hats ALL men's former $1.50 hats, including the latest derbies, troopers, alpines and Panama shape soft hats—also all the odds and ends of our regular $1.90 soft hats—all go at 75c. Odds and ends of $2.90 hats, 1.45.

Winter caps—men's and boys' double pull-down band winter caps—all styles and materials—also silk lined golf caps, marked 75c, tomorrow at 37½c.

Toques—boys' and children's heavy and medium knit toques—all the latest club colorings, marked 35c, tomorrow at only 19c.

½ OFF Laces

OF course, those that are slightly mussed or wrinkled—but what's that? Surely nothing to you, who pay half and less than half the marked prices.

All the soiled and mussed embroideries and laces marked 10c yard, go at 5c.

All the soiled laces and embroideries marked 15c and 20c yd., go at only 10c.

½ off ribbons— all the remnants and odd pieces of satin ribbons, taffeta ribbons and fancy ribbons go tomorrow at about half the marked prices.

10c and 15c ribbons go at 5c.
15c and 25c ribbons go at 9c.
20c and 35c ribbons go at 18c.

½ off trimmings— odds and ends of all kinds of braid trimmings, gimps, bead trimmings, etc., marked 10c to 35c yd., all go tomorrow at only 5c.

25c to 35c trimmings go at only 10c.
50c to 65c trimmings go at only 15c.

½ off unmade robes— the entire balance of our stock of beautiful black Brilliantine goes at half the marked prices. (In trimming dept.)

All the $19.00 robes go at only 9.50.
All the $25.00 robes go at 12.50.
All the $35.00 robes go at 17.50.

½ off notions— all the fancy pins, pin cushions, needle books, novelty tape measures, fancy hose supporters, etc., that are in any way mussed or soiled, go tomorrow at half marked prices.

½ OFF Furniture

WE have several hundred pieces of furniture, which, being broken lines (having only one or a few pieces of each kind), we want to move off the furniture floor as quickly as possible. Offering them for just one-half off the marked prices will do it. Here are some of the goods:

Music cabinets—
Parlor cabinets—
Gilt furniture—
Writing desks—
Parlor suites—
Parlor rockers—
Brass beds—
Iron beds—
Toilet tables—
Leather furniture—
Parlor tables—
Library tables—
Tabourettes—
Library chairs—
Cellarettes—
Hall clocks—
Piano benches—

Just make your selection and pay half the price marked on the ticket.

½ OFF Suits waists

ONLY those who have seen the big holiday rush on the cloak and suit floor can comprehend the large number of odds and ends and broken lines which are now on our counters. We propose to get rid of these goods quickly by offering them at half what they're marked. Here they go:

Women's tailor made jacket suits—new three-quarter length coat, marked $10, tomorrow at 5.00.

Lot of women's silk shirtwaist suits, in taffeta or jean de sole, also fancy cloth materials—at half price:

$12 silk shirtwaist suits 6.00.
$18 silk shirtwaist suits, 9.00.

Lot of women's velvet suits—newest style three-quarter length coats, newest skirts—marked $25, tomorrow at 12.50.

Lot of women's men's vesting dresses—silk lined, also in light and dark French clamion, marked $15, tomorrow at 37.50.

Lot of women's separate skirts—dress and walking styles, plain or trimmed—marked $18, tomorrow at 9.00.

Lot of women's walking skirts, made of fancy or plain materials—marked $5.98, tomorrow 1.99.

Girls' dresses—fancy Russian blouse and plaid effects, also fine imported materials—marked $7.50 and $10, tomorrow at 2.98.

Lot of women's flannel waists, in a variety of styles, all desirable colors—marked $1.98, tomorrow at 98c.

Lot of women's waists—new styles in black mercerized sateen—marked 98c, tomorrow at 49c.

Lot of women's mohair waists—black, navy and white, some dotted, others solid colors, trimmed with buttons or stitching—marked $1.98, tomorrow 99c.

Lot of women's wrappers—made of dark colored flannelette, full skirts with deep flounces—marked 74c, tomorrow at 37c.

Women's shoulder shawls—in solid colors and checks, marked 25c, tomorrow at 12½c.

Lot of women's knit golf vests—dark colors, marked 49c, tomorrow at 49c.

Women's silk waists—various new styles, marked $5, tomorrow at 2.50.

Woman's velvet waists—plain and dotted effects, marked $4, tomorrow at 2.50.

Girls' dresses—in wool plaids and checks, lined throughout, all sizes—marked 98c, tomorrow 49c.

Girls' and misses' coats—all wool kerseys and cheviots, satin lined, sizes 12 to 18—recently reduced to $3.98, tomorrow at 1.99.

Children's walking coats—cute little garments in velvets and all wool materials, sizes up to 5 years, marked $3.98 and $4.50, tomorrow at 1.99.

Misses' long coats—will also fit small women, in all wool kersey or plain materials, recently reduced from $7.50 to 5.98, tomorrow at 2.99.

Misses' suits—the season's best styles, in all wool mixtures or plain cheviots, marked $8 and $9, tomorrow at 4.00.

Girls' full length coats or Gretchens—in all wool cheviots, heavy cheviots and kerseys, all sizes up to 14 years, marked $6 and $7, tomorrow at 3.00.

½ OFF Dress goods

A GREAT quantity of dress, skirt and waist lengths, together with several thousand dollars' worth of fashionable fabrics which will be cut in any length desired, are included in this half price offer.

Full dress patterns of stylish wool materials, all colors, marked $2.98, tomorrow at half price or 1.49.

Full dress patterns of high grade foreign and domestic fabrics, former price $4, tomorrow's price 1.98.

Full waist patterns of silk and wool waistings, pronellas and vestings—marked $2.29, tomorrow at half off or 1.15.

52 in. fancy snow flake suitings—black and white effects—marked 98c, tomorrow at half price or yd. 49c.

Shaggy camel's hair suitings—oxford gray with white dashing—marked 25c, tomorrow at half price or yd. 12c.

Fancy plaids—cotton and wool mixtures, pretty colorings for children's dresses—former price 25c, tomorrow, yard, 12c.

All-wool French challies—beautiful printings on light and dark grounds—marked 50c, tomorrow at, yard, 25c.

Black wool armure suiting—56 in. wide—has been selling for 25c, reduced for tomorrow to yard, 12½c.

56 in. all wool Worsted of England suiting—in that reliable finished black—marked $1.75, tomorrow, yard, 95c.

54 in. satin finished Venetian—rich, lustrous black—present selling price $2.50, tomorrow's selling price 1.75.

Silks at half price

Several thousand lengths, ranging from ½ to 10 yds., including all the more fashionable silks, black and colors, tomorrow at half the marked prices.

52 in. and 27 in. corduroy for making women's waists and costumes or boys' suits—marked 59c and 65c, tomorrow at yd., 29c.

27 in. colored Jap. silks—our best 19c guaranteed washable silks, tomorrow at half price, yard, 25c.

$1 and $1.25 silk velvets—suitable for trimming and dress purposes in odd shades only—if you can find a shade to suit you, you'll certainly get an unparalleled bargain at yd., 25c.

½ OFF Linens flannels blankets

ODDS and ends and broken lines of linens, domestics, flannels, blankets, having become slightly soiled during the holiday rush, go tomorrow at 50c on the dollar.

Odd lots table napkins—bleached ready for use, marked 1.19, now dozen 59c.

Table damask—about 200 lengths, ranging from 2 to 5½ yds, at half the marked prices.

Memphis dining room table covers—the kind that will wash—marked $1 and $1.25, go tomorrow at 1.50.

Fancy linens—center pieces, lunch cloths, scarfs, bed spreads, tray table covers, etc., at half the marked prices.

Plain white Manchester lawns—fine and sheer, marked 15c, tomorrow at yd. 5c.

Fine drawnings, for skirts and infants' dresses at half marked prices.

Imported French flannels—all this season's importation, marked 58c and 65c—also plain 36 in. elderdown and plain white underwear flannels, all reduced to yd. 25c

Fancy moreens for underskirts—printed batistes, ginghams, lawns etc., marked 12½c, all at half price or yard, 6¼c.

½ off on millinery ALL of our millinery goods, birds, ornamental trimmings and ready-to-wear hats at ½ regular prices.

Women's and misses' trimmed hats—made of velvet, silk, velvet braid, trimmed with ostrich or fancy feathers—marked $4.65, tomorrow at half off, or only 2.32.

Trimmed and ready to wear hats—for women or misses, black and colors, beautifully trimmed—marked $2.50, tomorrow at half off or only 1.13.

Women's velvet dress shapes—best selling styles of the season—marked $1.25, tomorrow at half off, or only 63c.

½ OFF Rugs and carpets

LOT of silk and gora mats—all colors—half off makes the price tomorrow 89c.

Lot of axminster rugs—36x72 in. in platt-floral and Oriental patterns—half off makes the price, 9.69.

Best grade Smyrna rugs—3 ft. long, Oriental patterns, fine woven fringe—half off makes the price tomorrow 1.98.

Lot of Royal Wilton hearth rugs, also silk mosaic rugs, in all the main colors—half off makes the price tomorrow 4.75.

Lot of French art rugs—plain centers, all colors, size 9x12 ft.—half off makes the price tomorrow 4.75.

Lot of Brussels and velvet rugs—average size 9x12 ft., some made without mitered corners—half off makes the price tomorrow 11.50.

Lot of Wilton carpet samples—finished with leather on ends—$2.50 quality, tomorrow at, yard, 1.25.

Brussels carpets—remnants and odd rolls, small and large pieces, beautiful set and floral patterns—half off makes the price tomorrow, yard, 49c.

Odd lot of heavy printed linoleums — neat patterns, half off makes the price tomorrow, square yard 25c.

½ OFF Curtains

ODD lots of lace curtains—we have gone through our stocks and picked out all the 1, 2 and 3 pair lots and the slightly mussed goods and marked them ½ off regular prices.

Clunie Nottingham lace, ruffled curtain and ruffled net effects, 1 to 2 pairs of a pattern, ½ marked prices:

$3 curtains now ½ off, or pair 1.50.
$5 curtains now ½ off, or pair 1.85.
$4 curtains now ½ off, or pair 2.00.
$5 curtains now ½ off, or pair 2.50.

Point lace curtains—Irish point, swiss tambour, renaissance, Brussels, Cluny and Arabian laces, short lots at half prices:

$3 curtains now ½ off, or pair 2.50.
$4 curtains now ½ off, or pair 3.00.
$7 curtains now ½ off, or pair 3.50.
$8 curtains now ½ off, or pair 4.00.
$9 curtains now ½ off, or pair 4.50.
$10 curtains now ½ off, or pair 5.00.
$15 curtains now ¼ off, or pair 7.50.
$18 curtains now ¼ off, or pair 9.00.

Lace bed sets—Nottingham, cable net and bobbinet lace, some with sateen, others with flounce and bolster covers, at half price:

$2 bed sets now ½ off, or each 1.00.
$4 bed sets now ½ off, or each 2.00.
$6 bed sets now ½ off, or each 3.00.

Table covers—1½ and 2 yd. square, an immense assortment of styles and colors, at half price:

$4 table covers now ½ off, or each 2.00.
$5 table covers now ½ off, or each 2.50.
½ off on the sofa pillows (in the drapery dept.):

$1.15 sofa pillows now ½ off, or each 59c.
$1.50 sofa pillows now ½ off, or each 75c.
$2 sofa pillows now ½ off, or each 1.00.
$4 sofa pillows now ½ off, or each 2.00.

½ OFF Drugs

ALL perfumes and atomizers that have been marked 25c, 75c and $1.00, to go tomorrow at 25c.

All boxed perfumes marked 50c go at 19c.
All boxed perfumes marked 75c go at 45c.
All boxed perfumes marked $1.00, go at 59c.
50c toilet waters (Woodworth's) go at 25c.

Note these exceptions: All cut glass at 25 per cent off

Our entire stock of rich cut glass, American, English and French cutting (with the sole exception of table tumblers and glasses)—many of the choicest pieces from the American factories are represented—all offered at 25 per cent off our recognized lowest prices.

Our entire stock of watches at 25 per cent off
Our entire stock of clocks at 25 per cent off
Our entire stock of diamond rings at 25 per cent off
Our entire stock of solid gold jewelry at 25 per cent off
Our entire stock of opera glasses at 25 per cent off

All sterling silver hollow ware at 25 per cent off
Odd silver plated tea sets at 25 per cent off
Odd silver punch bowls and bakers, 25 per cent off
Silver soup tureens and fern dishes, 25 per cent off
Silver nut bowls and bread trays at 25 per cent off

A large lot of silver candelabras, at 25 per cent off
Our entire stock of chafing dishes at 25 per cent off
Our entire stock of dinner gongs at 25 per cent off
All after dinner tea kettles at 25 per cent off
Entire stock carving sets at 25 per cent off

As this is an absolutely closing-out sale, none of the above goods will be taken back or exchanged

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GREAT TRIUMPH OF "PARSIFAL"

Wagner's Masterpiece Appreciated by New York Audience.

CRUSH AT THEATER

Extra Police Had to Be Called to Handle the Crowd at the Metropolitan.

THE AUDIENCE WAS NERVOUS

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.

"Parsifal" has triumphed. The new world has been conquered by the greatest work of the great master, Wagner, and his widow can take what comfort there is when she feels that her feelings were trampled upon by the transplanting of the beloved music-drama across the sea.

It was a great audience that filled the Metropolitan opera house tonight, great in numbers and great in its love and reverence for music that is almost divine. Never in its long history of famous musical events has New York seen the crowd that turned out this afternoon. As early as 3 o'clock 300 persons were crowded into the lobby of the theater waiting for the doors to open in order that they might obtain admission. Between 3 and 4 the crowd increased to 500, and the reserves of the West Thirtieth street station had to be summoned to help the Metropolitan opera house squad, numbering 25 men, to keep the crowd in order.

After 4 o'clock there was a steady stream of people up and down Broadway, pushing one another toward the entrance of the theater. Shortly after 4 o'clock a stream of carriages containing the box holders began to draw up to the opera house entrance. At first they came singly and then in pairs until half an hour before the opening of the performance there was a steady stream that blocked traffic on Broadway and in the adjoining streets.

Shortly before the opening of the performance the crush to obtain admission became so great that the reserves were obliged to drive all those who did not hold tickets out of the lobby to the street, where a line was formed extending from the box office of the theater down Broadway a block.

The speculators who were fortunate enough to hold seats earlier in the day were doing a land office business. A box was sold early in the afternoon for $125, the box office price of which was $75. As the hour of 5 drew near, the crush became so great that many in the crowd became angry and for a few minutes it looked very much as if there would be trouble.

But in the theater the scene was different. There was an air of calm nervous expectancy that seemed to keep every soul thrilled; and then the curtain rolled back, bringing to view one of the most entrancing stage pictures the world has ever seen.

Reams have been printed and written and endless oratory has told what "Parsifal" is. We were there to see, to feel, to know. Was it Wagner's greatest; was it his last? Was it the final dedication of all his song, of all its witchery, of twining, massing, blending tones to the ideals of purity and the love of the divine in the world and ourselves? It may be this last; it may have been the dedication to the divine ideal.

But this it is also, namely, a beautiful reincarnation of Mythia, practices, mysteries and tales as old as religion. You can feel Zoroaster's palace of a hundred lighted windows in the Song of Montsalvat. You can feel Prometheus in the performance, and so on and so on. While the thought of these old myths and mysteries fill us, so long will "Parsifal" appeal to every mind that can respond to the emotional side of religion. Tired we may become, and sometimes we may nod as Gurnamanz proses or Amfortas talks too long, but the spell catches us again, the majesty, the beauty, the deep, deep charm of it all.

FRANK A. PARKER.

HIGHEST IDEALS HAVE BEEN REALIZED

Art of Music Drama May Hereafter Look to New York for Perfection.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The production of Richard Wagner's sacred music drama, or "dedication festival play," "Parsifal," can be defined not only as the most momentous event in the whole course of American operatic affairs, but as having great significance in the history of international art.

One of the immediate results is to elevate New York's operatic stage, in its possibilities, at least, to a level with the greatest in the world, even with that heretofore of Regenth. It need be no longer said of Metropolitan opera house productions that they rest for their title to excellence upon a "star system." They today graduated from that phase for good and all. The art of "music drama" may therefore look to New York as the city for the realization of its highest ideals.

"Parsifal" embodies the severest demands upon artist, stage and management that Richard Wagner ever made. When it is realized that the work is an hour's longer than an opera, a series of great pictures rather than a string of dramatic events, some understanding is gained of the difficulties which were surmounted today. There must be provided masterful scenes of marvelous and emotional beauty, a perfect orchestra, a melodious atmosphere of antique mysticism and religious exaltation, and, as more than accessory to all this, there must be scenic effects of an almost sensational description. What all these demands was met is a triumph for Mr. Conried's resource and a tribute to his genius for detail.

It may be said at once that the performance, viewed as a whole, was as fine as any the drama has received at Bayreuth and there in certain plays it surpassed even the surroundings. There were one or two small details, of course, to which critical exception could be taken, but these were "slips" merely, not defects, which can be relied upon not to reoccur.

Mr. Alois Burgstaller as Parsifal and Miss Milka Ternina as Kundry, the principal roles, were in the hands of two artists who have learned them at the hands of Frau Wagner, and who could be expected to possess every detail of the traditional.

Those who have heard Scotia or Wiegand at Bayreuth missed something in Blass Gurnemanz—something of the seer, the man very close to heaven—which, from any artistic standpoint, marred Mr. Blass portrayal, was picturesque, earnest, forceful, and he declaimed the music with more than his usual sonority, but somehow he missed the benignant dignity of the role. Of Mr. Van Rooy it can be said that his Amfortas is by far the best thing he has ever done while Goritz, who as Klingsor, made his first American appearance, should be a valued member of Mr. Conried's forces.

He was much too solid, mannered a magician. The venomed wickedness of his plots against the Grail, the hypnotic control over Kundry, and his age of her, all demand another Mephistopheles, and Mr. Goritz was something short of that. Vocally he was more than efficient.

The cast is as follows:

Kundry.....Mme. Milka Ternina
Parsifal.....Mr. Alois Burgstaller
Amfortas.....Mr. Anton Van Rooy
Gurnemanz.....Mr. Robert Blass
Klingsor.....Mr. Otto Goritz
Titurel.....Mr. Marcel Journet
Esquires,
First.....Miss Moran
Second.....Miss Braendle
Third.....Mr. Reiss
Fourth.....Mr. Harden
Knights of the Grail,
First.....Mr. Bayer
Second.....Mr. Adolf Muhlmann
A Voice.....Mme. Louise Homer
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Conductor.....Mr. Alfred Hertz
Stage Manager.....Mr. Anton Fuchs (of Bayreuth and Munich.)
Technical Director (in charge of all mechanical and electrical effects).....Mr. Carl Lautenschlager (of Munich.)

YEARS AGO S. A. AMMON HEARD "PARSIFAL" SUNG

It Was in 1883, at Bayreuth and He Wrote About It for The Gazette.

Twenty years ago last July a well-known Pittsburgher, Samuel A. Ammon, was in Bayreuth and witnessed some of the early performances of "Parsifal." Under date of July 25, 1883, he wrote from the seat of the Wagner cult to The Gazette, telling of the performances and the impressions made on him. In part Mr. Ammon, under the nom de plume "Nomina," wrote as follows:

The grave of Richard Wagner is marked by a large gray granite slab without inscription. But what could one write upon cold stone to commemorate justly the memory of this great man? The sea of intent faces gazing with rapture upon the grand performance of "Parsifal" gives the truest and most eloquent tribute to Wagner's genius. He will never be forgotten. He needs no grand monument. If he did, the Royal theater which he himself planned would be sufficient. The first impression of the wonderful building does not give one the correct idea of its capacity and completeness. The arrangement of everything is on a scale of grand simplicity, and the longer one stays in it more he becomes impressed with the genius that inspired its construction.

The performance begins at 4 p. m., and the first act lasts until the second begins at 6:30 and lasts until 8, when there is an hour allowed for supper. The opera is over at 10 o'clock. The orchestra, which consists of 124 players this year, is not visible. They sit in the usual place, but it is so arranged that the audience sees over the space instead of into it.

The theater is almost dark when the playing begins, and the strains of the overture exerts an almost indescribable impression. To sit in almost complete darkness and know that you are surrounded by so many of your fellow creatures, all intensely silent, and hear the great music of "Parsifal" arising from apparently unknown depths appeals to all that is dreamy and superstitious in one's nature.

On July 22 Fraulein Maulen, from the Court theater, Dresden, appeared as Kundry, singing Parsifal, Siehr as Gurnemax and Reichmann as King Amfortas. On July 24, Frau Materna sang Kundry, Winkelmann as Parsifal, Scaria as Gurnemaz, and Reichmann again as Amfortas. Materna having visited America, those who have heard her can have some conception how gloriously her voice suited the music of Kundry, and she sang the part character-ideal. The vocalist seems to live Materna, so when her voice should be at the best, in the frantic call she makes for Klingsor, it is at its worst, while the youthful powers of Fraulein Maulen enabled her through the part with a grand power that is sublime.

Scaria was undoubtedly at his best, and his magnificent voice and acting seemed to inspire every artist. He fairly lived the part and does as if spoken. The conception of his character was so superior to his predecessor that it is a great pity he does not sing at every performance. Winkelmann's conception of the part, to think of him as Parsifal is beyond the most vivid imagination.

Many Americans, in order "to see Parsifal" only attended one performance and thus lost the opportunity to make a comparison of the artists. The scenery is magnificent and moves with the ease of clockwork. The flower scene in the Garden of Klingsor's castle is unique and extravagant beyond description, and clearly shows what wonderful ideas flowed through the master's brain. The stage, which is very large, as the theater is open, especially adapted to showing to advantage the exhibits assemble in the temple to gaze upon the Holy Grail. The scene when Parsifal returns with the Holy Spear, and the beautiful picture which then appears to the eye, as the curtain goes down on the exalted Parsifal, holding aloft the sacred vase with the blood in it streaming forth radiance, while the holy band is on its knees in enraptured devotion, is one that can never be forgotten.

Through the kindness of the theater inspector, Mr. Moritz, I was taken through the building, and was surprised at its vastness. The stage arrangement is 180 feet in depth and with its great breadth gives splendid opportunities for grand scenic effects. There is also a large dining hall where Wagner and his family had their meals served during the performances. There is also a room near the stage which the master used as a resting room. It contains, among other things, a blackboard to which he was wont to chalk off his music for rehearsals. The board is framed and hangs among some of the tributes sent on the occasion of his death. Several wreaths in silver and gold, and beautiful designs in flowers, are there, that are composed of palm and laurel leaves are most appropriate. They are all of large size and have streamers of ribbons attached. King Ludwig's blue and white and the Bayarians—the Bavarian colors. On the white is written, "Konig Ludwig Von Baiern," on the blue, "Dem Grossen Wort and Ton Dichter, Meister Wagner."

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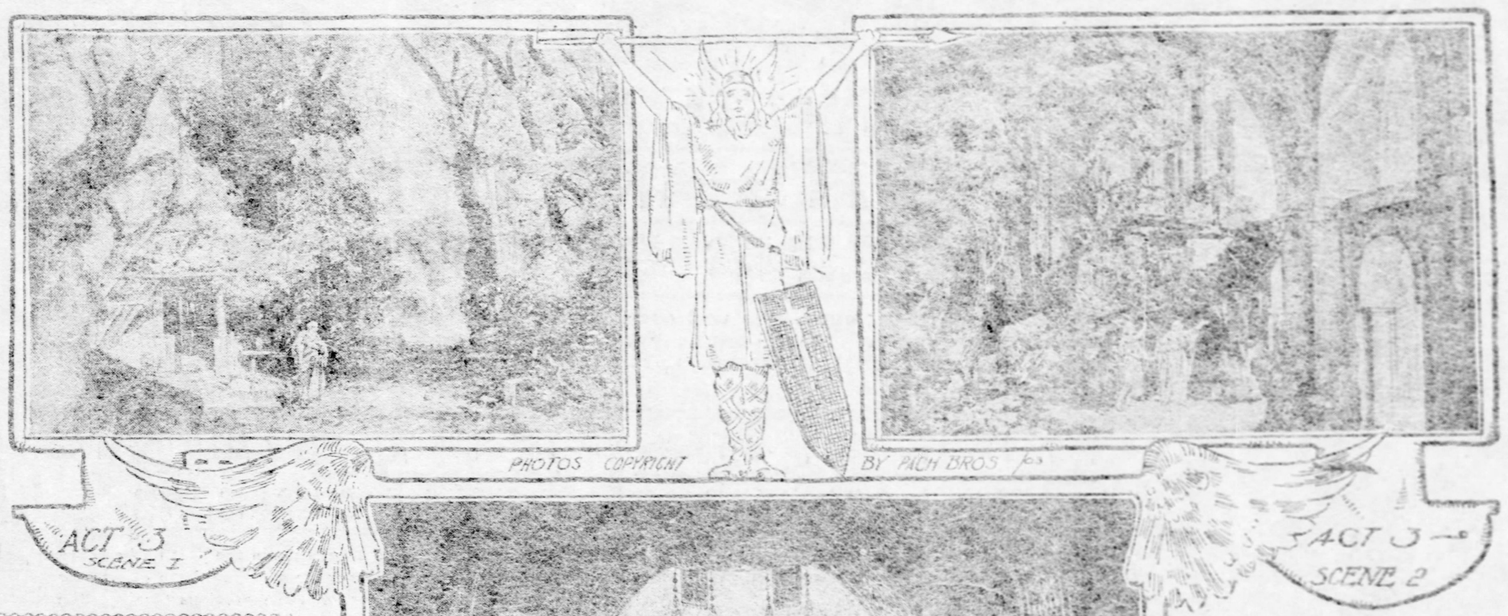

BLACKMAILER IS BEHIND CELL BARS

Threatened Millionaires With Death If They Did Not Pay Tribute.

HE CONFESSES HIS CRIME

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The source of the mysterious letters demanding large sums of money which for the last six months have been received by financiers of New York and Chicago was today traced to Leo E. Brennan, a commercial artist of this city. He was placed under arrest as he was leaving the general postoffice, where he had gone in answer to a decoy letter.

Brennan confessed having attempted to enforce a dozen demands for sums of $25,000 and $50,000 and having threatened his intended victims with death should they refuse. In his confession Brennan declared all his attempts to extort money had been futile, as he never received a dollar in answer to any of his requests.

The New York financiers of whom Brennan demanded money were J. Pierpont Morgan, John D. Rockefeller, James Stillman and Andrew Carnegie. He demanded $50,000 in his first letters, and upon receiving no replies reduced the amount to $25,000. Among those in Chicago were Marshall Field, R. T. Crane, J. Ogden Armour and G. F. Swift. None of the Chicago men was asked for more than $25,000.

Brennan first asked Mr. Field to leave $25,000 beneath a pillar of a porch at the latter's home. No attention was paid and another letter, in which the veiled threats in the first letter were made plainer, was received. In the second letter Brennan demanded that the money be mailed. Mr. Field placed the matter in the hands of detectives, and a correspondence with Brennan was established which led to his arrest.

A few days ago a decoy letter was sent to Brennan, telling him his demand would be acceded to. A package was prepared and addressed to "Christ" at the general postoffice. Brennan fell into the trap and today walked into the arms of four detectives. No formal charge was entered against him tonight, but it was said he will be held for action of the federal authorities. More than 30 letters demanding money, it is said, were written by Brennan.

BROTHER BURIED AND HUSBAND LAY DEAD

With her husband lying dead in the front room of her home at 2127 Thirtieth street, Mrs. Emma Golla, wife of Edward Golla, followed the body of her brother, Patrick McCallighan, to its last resting place in St. Mary's cemetery, Pittsburgh, yesterday. Mrs. Golla's husband died very suddenly yesterday morning of typhoid-pneumonia. He was a foreman of molders in the East Pittsburgh plant of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company. He was born in Ireland 50 years ago, and is survived by a widow and two little children. Less than 30 hours before the death of Golla, Mrs. Golla's brother, a clerk in the Westinghouse Electric works at East Pittsburgh, died of pneumonia. He was 22 years old.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT BY PITTSBURGH ORCHESTRA

The Pittsburgh orchestra, Victor Herbert, conductor, offers the public a fine concert tonight and tomorrow afternoon. The program includes the most popular symphonic selections of the composer-director and also the most humorous piece of music written by a composer of fixed position. Those are, respectively, Dvorak's "New World" which is played by request, and the "Panorama." "Tom in Boots," and the "White Cat," and the "Waltz" from Tschaikowsky's suite, "The Sleeping Beauty of the Woods." In addition Luigi von Kunits the concert-master, will be the soloist, playing two compositions, one of which is new.

GEN. WOOD MAKES SWEEPING DENIAL

Cause of the Trouble Had Been Courteously Treated in Cuba.

BELLAIRS AS AN INGRATE

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.

The following letter from Gen. Leonard Wood, as its date line shows, was written to Dr. Horace Fletcher of Yale university from Cairo last summer, when Gen. Wood was on his way to the Philippines. When the newspaper charges against the latter in connection with the Bellairs matter came to Dr. Fletcher's attention he sent them to Gen. Wood, and received in reply the letter herewith printed:

"Cairo, May 12, 1903.

"Dear Mr. Fletcher—I received your enclosure about the Bellairs matter. I have not given the newspaper people anything on the subject, as it was such an outrageous lie that it could not properly come from me the attention indicated by a denial. You can use the following as in your judgment seems best when you reach the United States. It should, I believe, be used in such a way as to kill any effect which the lies circulated may have created. Bellairs presented himself to me in Santiago in the fall of '98, with the usual letter of introduction, etc., etc., which the Associated Press gives its duly accredited agents. He became an intimate friend of the British consul, Mr. Robert Mason, and was well received everywhere. In the spring of '99 he was promoted to Havana, not at my request or suggestion, direct or indirect. His conduct in Santiago was thoroughly creditable, and he was trustworthy and reliable as a newspaper man. He asked absolutely no favors of me, or, so far as I know, from anyone.

Was Popular in Cuba.

"While in Havana he made many warm friends among the army officers, including, so far as I know, nearly all of them. After my transfer to Havana as governor of the whole island in December, 1899, Bellairs continued on duty. I should say about five months, and was then sent to China and the Philippines, not at my suggestion or request, directly or indirectly. I was sorry to have him go, as we all liked him and found him reliable. In the Philippines Bellairs was a believer in military government instead of civil, and apparently wrote accordingly, and, of course, trouble with the civil government in the way of loss of friendly relations followed. After Bellairs left Havana ugly rumors about him began to be circulated. They came almost entirely from a number of men who did not like him, and, on investigation, nothing definite was found. I heard from him very seldom and he said little or nothing about conditions there.

"The long and the short of the whole thing is that in Cuba and the east (China, etc.) Bellairs' conduct was such as to win for him the confidence and good will of almost all our officers. He never mixed much in society, but saw more of men. If he had a bad past he was certainly trying to bury it.

Bellairs Had a Past.

"Finally some one published what purports to be a story of Bellairs' past, and pointed out that he was my particular friend, and that I sent him to Cuba, and that his attitude toward the civil government was at my suggestion, and that I was working to relieve Taft, etc., etc.—conclusions as false as they are silly. Who started the thing no one knows, but doubtless some of the people I had to handle without gloves during my stay in Cuba. It was far-fetched and diabolical and intended to create trouble. This is the whole story.

"Bellairs was in no way especially intimate with me or my family—that is to say, I do not think that in all his Cuban service he was at my table more than three times. I saw him daily, as did the Sun man, and gave them such news as I could. They were treated exactly alike.

"Bellairs was president of the Jockey club, gave dinners, etc. He could, had he wished, but did not go into the families of officers. Gen. Chaffee and Gen. Humphrey thought well of him in the east, and he was a guest of the officers' mess in China, and was the house guest of Mr. Clarke, a son-in-law of Bishop Potter, when he visited Washington. So you can see how he stood. I enclose a letter to Mr. Root, which I hope you will use. Drop me a line at Singapore. I shall get it on my way to or from Batavia (Java).

"My very best regards,

"Sincerely yours,

LEONARD WOOD.

"P. S.—In Havana Bellairs was also welcome at the home of the British consul general. Again, it seems off color that one who is charged with seven years in the Florida prison should have selected Havana, which is always full of Florida people, as a place of business."

RAMPOLLA HONORS A HOMESTEAD GIRL

Among the honored treasures of Miss Mary Naughton of Homestead has been placed an autographed photograph of Cardinal Rampolla, pope Leo's secretary of state. The photograph bearing the cardinal's signature was yesterday received by Miss Naughton as a Christmas present from the cardinal. During the recent conclave, when the college of cardinals was balloting for a successor to the late Leo, Miss Naughton, who is an employe of the Homestead postoffice and a member of St. Mary Magdalen's Roman Catholic church, sent several magazines in which appeared the picture of Cardinal Rampolla, who was her choice for pope, to Rampolla. A short time ago Miss Naughton received a letter written in Latin acknowledging the receipt of the periodicals.

GREATEST YEAR IN ITS HISTORY

Bethlehem Figures Produced by Accountant at Shipbuilding Hearing.

EXPENDITURES WERE HEAVY

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.

When the hearing into the receivership of the United States Shipbuilding Company was resumed this morning Alfred E. Rose, the accountant who investigated the books of the Bethlehem Steel Company, was again placed on the stand.

The construction and repair accounts were the potent factors in the questioning of the morning and a strenuous effort made to show there had been an undue advance in the expenditures of those two departments. It was the intention of Counsel Untermeyer to prove if possible that these expenditures had been increased in order to withhold the dividends of the company.

The construction account for the year ending May 1, 1902 was $168,137 and $885,000 in the year following, with $150,000 additional for the months of May, June and July of this year. The repairs and renewals account showed the expenditure of over $85,000, but Mr. Rose could not tell whether these figures were excessive or not. The net earnings for the six months ending October 31, 1903, amounted to $1,040,002, being greater than at any time in the history of the company.

When Mr. Untermeyer relinquished the witness to Mr. Guthrie the latter attempted to show that Mr. Rose had but little experience in the iron and steel business and then rigorously cross-examined him as to his investigation of the Bethlehem steel plant.

Witness said he knew that subsequent to April 30, 1902, the Bethlehem Company billed $8,000,000 of goods. "Do I know are you prepared to say that the item of $350,000 which the Bethlehem Company added to its profits on manufactured material was in excess of a fair profit actually?"

"I don't think it had anything to do with the profits. It was put in the estimated selling expenses."

"If anything in your testimony of this morning seemed to be an aspersion on the honor and integrity of any of the officers of the Bethlehem plant, may I ask if it was your intention that such an inference or charge should be against them?" asked Mr. Guthrie.

"Assuredly not. That was not my intention, and if any such inference could be drawn I should be sorry," replied the witness. Adjournment was taken to January 5, 1904.

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MRS. HOAR IS DEAD AT NATIONAL CAPITAL

Aged Massachusetts Senator's Home Is Stricken With This Sudden Affliction.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Mrs. George Frisbee Hoar, wife of Senator Hoar, was stricken with heart disease at her home in this city tonight and died within an hour, aged 69 years.

Mrs. Hoar came to Washington only last Monday from her home in Worcester, Mass., with the hope of spending the winter here. She made the trip without the least trouble and seemed to be unusually well when she arrived here. This evening, however, about 9 o'clock, she complained of a sharp pain in the heart. Dr. Van Rensselaer, the family physician, was immediately summoned, but had scarcely entered the house before Mrs. Hoar breathed her last. He pronounced the death due to angina pectoris.

No one was present at the time of the death except Senator Hoar and Mrs. Patterson, and her daughter, who lived in the house in Washington, Mrs. Hoar's maiden name was Ruth A. Miller, and she was the senator's second wife.

Senator Hoar is deeply saddened by this sudden death. He was exceedingly fond of his wife, who had been his companion for over 30 years, and he had been quite interested in her coming to Washington, being especially delighted at the thought of having her spend the Christmas holidays with him. The body will be taken to Worcester, Mass., tomorrow, where the burial will take place.

Braddock Librarian Honored

Prof. George H. Lamb, superintendent of the Carnegie club and chief librarian of the Carnegie Free library at Braddock, yesterday afternoon was made the recipient of a handsome traveling bag from the clerks in the Braddock library and those at the branches at Wilkinsburg, Turtle Creek and Monongahela.

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BRINGING JOY TO CHILDREN

Mrs. Gusky Continues Christmas Custom Begun by Her Husband 22 Years Ago.

TOYS ARE SENT BY EXPRESS

This will be a joyful day, a happy Christmas today for all the thousands of inmates of all the asylums, hospitals and charitable institutions in these cities.

In a little while great wagon loads of toys, huge boxes of every gift-thing imaginable will be left at the doors of every place, where, as a rule the good old Santa Claus never comes.

It is the twenty-second annual tour and distribution of Christmas remembrances of the orphans, the aged, the sick by Mrs. Jacob M. Gusky. In keeping with an old custom, one started 22 years ago by her husband, J. M. Gusky, she now follows out to the letter the happy excursions which so delighted him, and which he, before his death, personally conducted.

This year, owing to the sicknesses that prevails in so many of the places to be visited, many of them being of a contagious nature, the usual Santa Claus features that so delighted and amused the little tots will have to be abandoned. In place of this, the gifts will be sent by express and messenger service. The managers of several of the institutions having requested Mrs. Gusky to omit the presence of St. Nick, this plan was decided upon, and Kris Kringle must wait for another year when doubtless the health of the children and favored ones will be so improved as to welcome into their midst once more that merriest of all merry fellows. The little disappointments will all scatter when the pretty, entertaining presents find their new owners.

Utmost care has been taken in the selection of gifts this year, many, if not all, being as good as those received by children whose parents are in good circumstances. Dapper hobby horses, steam cars, games, small pianos, drums, guns, soldiers, etc., for the little ones, and more practical articles for elderly people.

Each season Mrs. Gusky obtains a list from every place visited, giving the name and age of the inmates. The presents are then selected with reference to these particulars. The cards are made out with the recipient's name and tied securely on the presents, so as to avoid any mistakes. The list is then filed for future reference.

To purchase all these toys, to mark them and see that they are properly distributed requires much time and patience and not a little money.

The list of places to share in the bountiful distribution of gifts includes the Homeopathic hospital, West Penn hospital, Little Sisters of the Poor, Ridge Avenue Orphan asylum, Women's Christian home, Home for the Friendless, Little Sisters of the Poor, Allegheny; St. Joseph's Orphan asylum, Episcopal Church home, St. Paul's Orphan asylum, Children's Aid society, South Side hospital, J. M. Gusky orphanage, German Protestant Orphan asylum, home for Colored Children, Rosalia Foundling asylum, Odd Fellows Home, Pennsylvania Children's Home society, St. Peter's Orphan asylum, St. Michael's Orphan asylum, Concordia Orphan home, Marwood, Pa., and St. John's Lutheran home, Mars, Pa.

The distribution began early this morning, and by noon, the thousands of remembrances will have carried sunshine and joy into countless numbers of hearts that otherwise would not have been so favored.

MAN INJURED IN RUNAWAY FOUND BY SEARCHING PARTY

Through the horse of Nicholas Altmeyer, a gardener of O'Hara township, being recognized on running into Pleasant Valley, Altmeyer was saved from lying unconscious on a lonely country road till after daylight yesterday. Altmeyer was driving to his home from Sharpsburg about 9 o'clock Wednesday night, when the horse became frightened and ran away. During the horse's flight the buggy struck a stone pile and Altmeyer was thrown out. A party of men with lanterns went along the road till they found Altmeyer unconscious. He will recover.

FIRST DECISION IN SUIT WAS IN FAVOR OF MINERS

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Justice George F. Lyon today denied the motion of the Delaware & Hudson Company for oral examination of Thomas D. Nichols, president of District No. 1 of the Pennsylvania mine workers' union. This motion was made in the action brought by the company against President Mitchell to recover $200,000 for suggesting the plan which Wales claims was used last year to settle the big anthracite miners' strike.

Glass Manufacturers Get Charter.

A charter was granted yesterday in New Jersey to the Manufacturers Window Glass Company, the proposed combination of the principal interests of the country. The capital is $1,000,000, divided into shares of $50,000 each. The organization has not been perfected, but is expected to be at a meeting to be held at the Hotel Henry next Tuesday.

Woman and Stove Fell to Cellar.

Julia Kerr, aged 59, of 321 Corry street, Allegheny, was badly injured yesterday morning by the kitchen floor at her home giving way, throwing her and the stove into the cellar. Her cries were heard by neighbors, and she was released from the debris, and she was removed to her home by Mrs. Kerr make her condition serious.

Seat Sold for $87,500.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—The sale of a stock exchange seat for $87,500, an advance of $7,500 over the last transactions of this kind, was announced today. The buyer was H. Van D. Moore, who bought the seat from Egbert Mills. During the summer seats were sold down to $70,000.

Murderer Commits Suicide.

CANTON, O., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Alvin Heninger, the self-confessed murderer of his father-in-law, Adam Albright, committed suicide in the jail here late yesterday afternoon. He had made attempts before.

Memorial Service for G. A. R. Men.

Post 128 G. A. R. of Allegheny will hold memorial services in the Arch Street Methodist Episcopal church at 8 p. m. Sunday in honor of six members of the post who died during the year. Ex-Governor William A. Stone will deliver the principal address.

Fired a Cruel Orderly.

Superintendent A. H. Lloyd of the South Side Hospital last night discharged an orderly, whose name he refused to divulge, for striking a boy patient, who is suffering from a fractured arm.

Charles of Time—The California Limited.

Effective Sunday, January 3, 1904, the California Limited on the Santa Fe will leave Chicago at 7:00 p. m. instead of 8:00 p. m., as at present. The train will be held, however, until 8:00 p. m. in case connecting trains with passengers for it are late.

Now in its eighth season of daily service, the California Limited has established itself as the peer of Pacific coast trains. Solid Pullman throughout, it runs from Chicago to Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco via Santa Fe all the way. Most picturesque and comfortable route—tracks oil-sprinkled, dustlessness. The Grand Canyon line.

For daily illustrated booklet, describing the California Limited, call or address P. S. Snellenberger, Pass. Agent, A. T. & S. F. Ry., 405 Park building, Pittsburgh.

CAMPBELL'S.
After Christmas What?
Half Price.

Just read the announcement of The People's Store today, and add to what is told five thousand miscellaneous articles of which only one or two of a kind remain—sell at half price and at two-fold prices, and you have a helpful hint as to how you can spend your money gifts to the best advantage right away.

CHUMS DIED TOGETHER.

Going East to See Their Families and Spend the Christmas Holidays.

A touching feature of the disaster was the death of two dear friends and chums, Richard Duckett and Stephen Ed Heuley. They had roomed together for years and were associated with one another in the railroad work. Heuley was the construction engineer of this division of the Baltimore & Ohio, and Duckett was his assistant. They lived together at 200 Kansas street, and their affection for one another was marked. The two men left on Wednesday with their dress suit cases literally filled with Christmas presents for their families, and were in the best of spirits. Heuley was on his way to his former home in Point of Rocks, Md., and Duckett to his home in Baltimore.

Duckett was evidently somewhat superstitious and fearful of railroad accidents. On Labor day, 1902, he was going east on the same train that was wrecked on Wednesday when there was a wreck in which a number of persons were injured, but no one killed. Engineer Thurnley, who was killed in Wednesday's accident, was running the train on that day, and among the passengers was J. Gordon Douglass, cashier of the Hazelwood bank. In discussing the incident with Mr. Duckett later, Mr. Douglass remarked that that was the fourth or fifth wreck he had been in.

About a month ago Mr. Douglass was about to take another eastern trip, and so was Mr. Duckett, but the latter remarked that he did not care to go on the same train as Mr. Douglass for fear of another wreck. It was said in a joking manner, but he evidently meant it, for he went on the following day. On Tuesday he was in the bank to have his salary check cashed and told Mr. Douglass that he was going east to spend Christmas. A few hours later he was dead.

ADVICE SAVED HIS LIFE.

Police Official Had Contemplated Riding in the Fatal Smoking Car.

Acting Superintendent of Police Bernard McStay received a telegram from Bruce Kester, clerk in the bureau of police, yesterday morning:

"Was in the wreck, but O. K."

Kester was on the Duquesne Limited on his way to Philadelphia to spend Christmas with relatives. Had it not been for the advice of Superintendent McStay he would have been among the victims. He is unable to rest well in a sleeper, and told McStay he thought he would sit in the smoking car all night. McStay advised him against this.

"Bruce, take a sleeper," said McStay; "and if there is a wreck you have a chance to escape."

Kester acted on McStay's advice and went to the Baltimore & Ohio station and secured a berth in the Pullman.

FIREMAN WAS KILLED.

Drawhead Hit Him at Duquesne. Five Tramps Released. Other Deaths.

James McClelland, 40 years old, fireman on a shifting engine, was killed in the yards of the Duquesne steel works yesterday morning by being struck by the drawhead of an engine.

Mrs. Chadwick, 65 years old, of 2039 Tustin street, was found dead in bed yesterday morning. Death was due to dropsy.

The inquest into the death of the unknown tramp who was found burned to death at Cochran's station on the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston railroad on December 15, was held yesterday. It was thought he had been murdered. Five tramps were put in jail on suspicion. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict that death was due to exposure and exonerated the five men from criminal responsibility.

John J. Jacquesir, 4 years old, died at his home in Linden street, East Pittsburgh yesterday of burns received on Wednesday. He was standing in front of the grate and his clothing caught fire.

Nicholas Rudden, who was injured by an embankment falling on him in a stone quarry at Verner station yesterday morning died in the Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh, last night of his injuries. Joseph Nicholon, who was working with Rudden, is still confined in the hospital in a serious condition. Both were Italians.

Dr. Gregg Accepts the Presidency.

The Rev. Dr. James D. Moffat, president of Washington and Jefferson college, yesterday announced he had received a letter from the Rev. Dr. David Gregg, accepting the presidency of the Western Theological seminary in Allegheny. Dr. Moffat is chairman of the committee charged with the selection of a president for the seminary. Dr. Gregg, who is pastor of the Lafayette Avenue church, Brooklyn, N. Y., will be released from his charge by the Brooklyn presbytery in February and he will assume the duties of his new position March 1. He will reside in Allegheny.

Licensed at Steubenville.

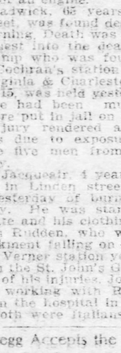
STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Those granted marriage licenses here today were: Clarence F. Eichler and Larra A. Higley, of Pittsburgh; Joseph B. McConnell and Agnes P. Jeffries, of Washington, Pa.; Dillon P. McCormick and Gertrude Clifford, of Turtle Creek; Elmer H. Curtis and Hattie C. Thompson, of New Castle; James C. Harbison and Alice A. Potter, of Allegheny; George N. Zeth and Mabel A. Moore, of Pittsburgh.

Decision Reserved in Bonni Case.

Turnkey Thomas Sterck and Janitors Robert Shatters and Edward Levy of Central station, who were charged with aggravated assault and battery by John Bonni, an Italian, before Alderman John Groetzinger, had a hearing yesterday afternoon. Bonni declared that while a prisoner at the station of September 7 the three defendants beat and kicked him. The alderman reserved his decision until Monday.

Corey's Nephew Promoted.

LORAIN, O., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—It was announced today that Edward Corey, nephew of the president of the Steel Corporation, will be general manager of the new tube mills at this place. He comes here from Mckeesport, where he has an important post.



Furs

Those who wanted Seal Jackets and Furs before Christmas, but could not be waited on—had better call Saturday — The assortment is—as always—most choice—

Walking Skirts and Top Coats

Special Sale Saturday—We want to close these out and will make prices suit any purse—

J. G. BENNETT & CO.,
New Stores,
Wood and Fifth.

EMPHASIS

With to emphasize the immense advantage in coming early. Broadest choice — greatest variety — best picking for early shoppers. Buy it.

STORE OPEN SATURDAY NIGHT TILL 9 O'CLOCK.

GUSKY'S

EVERYTHING TO WEAR

EMPHASIS

With to emphasize the extraordinary—even sensational—price inducements offered during this Annual Sale. Prices cut terrifically.

OUR ANNUAL SALE OF MEN'S FINE SUITS AND OVERCOATS BEGINS SATURDAY

Promptly at 8 o'clock our doors will open upon one of the greatest, most remarkable sale of high grade Suits and Overcoats for men ever known in the annals of Pittsburgh merchandising. NEVER before have SUCH elegant garments passed from store to customer at SUCH astoundingly low prices. Read on:—

MEN; YOU SIMPLY CAN'T OVERLOOK THESE MIGHTY SUIT VALUES

Just think of it. Regular $12 to $15 Suits, tomorrow only, $8.40. This is how. Purchased outright, with spot cash, exactly 2,500 high-grade, THIS SEASON'S suits. Bought them from two most renowned clothing manufacturers at a time when MONE TALKED. These suits come in finest materials—fancy cassimeres, cheviots, worsteds and tweeds—in checks, stripes, plaids and overplaids. Coats are straight and round cuts—single or double breasted. Shoulders hand-padded—narrow, graceful lapels — lined with durable fabrics—matchless in fit—
WERE, mark you, $12 to $15, ANNUAL SALES-PRICE SATURDAY, ONLY **$8.40**

MEN'S FINEST SUITS: COLOSSAL REDUCTIONS Handsome Business and Dress Suits—stylish, dependable kinds—representing, in full, 1,500 suits bought at special price, and 800 suits from regular stock — 2,300 garments in all. Stupendous stock! In worsteds, cheviots, cassimeres, etc., — in checks, stripes, plaids, overplaids and mixtures. Coats 3 and 4 button—single or double breasted—well lined, artistically finished and absolutely perfect in fit, worth $22 to $30 elsewhere, WERE $18 to $24, Here ANNUAL SALES-PRICE, SATURDAY, ONLY **$15.00**

A SALE WITH A REASON.

Plain, simple facts—too backward a season—makers too big stocks—Gusky's with READY CASH. Result, great purchases. Again, Gusky's with surplus stocks, odds and ends. Both combined. RESULT—Annual Sale.

THE GREATEST OF ALL GREAT OVERCOAT SALES IS THIS

Great, because at no other time in the past half-century have so many new, smartly made garments been offered for so LITTLE—great, because of the marvelous Quality—the magnificence of style, workmanship—tailoring. Be explicit! Of course we will. First place, there's 3,000 Overcoats—yes, 3,000—twice the stock some stores carry. Every one from the workshops of makers renowned yes, world-wide famous manufacturers. Money was scarce—stock much too big. We offered the former, they offered the latter. Both accepted. Deal was made. And now the Overcoats are here—all here and offered at

LITTLEST PRICE EVER KNOWN FOR LIKE GOODS Overcoats are of best quality grays, oxfords, cheviots and blue and black kerseys—in three-quarter lengths, belted back and extra long effects. Lined with satin or mercerized silk. Shoulders, broad, hand-padded. Cut full—very roomy, yet neat, stylish appearing. Trimmings of highest grade—faultless in design, make and finish. WERE $18 to $24—would unquestionably bring $22 to $30 elsewhere, ANNUAL SALES-PRICE SATURDAY, ONLY, ... **$14.90**

STUPENDOUS YEAR-END SALE OF WOMEN'S STYLISH WEARING APPAREL.

Going to make the closing days of 1903 memorable in shopping circles by offering grandest values—the KEENEST price-cutting ever made in this or other stores. Unheard of low prices. Read:

Women's $2 Fur Scarfs
In black coney, fur-cluster of tails—lined with best fabrics—finest quality—new—this season's goods—worth $2—Year-End-Sales-Price **49c**

Women's Scarfs or Muffs
In natural muskrat—representing Fashion's newest effects—regular price $2.50 each, Sales-Price, tomorrow **$1.98**

Women's $1.00 Percale Wrappers.
Exactly 300 garments—made full and wide or deep flounce—in fine quality percale—for immediate clearance Saturday **29c**

Women's $4 and $5 Walking or Dress Skirts.
Smart, well-tailored creations—in black or fancy mixtures—pleated—graceful in hang—perfect in fit—special Saturday **$2.98**

Girls' Stylish $5 Coats— Three-quarter lengths — all colors—in most fashionable, durable fabrics—daintily trimmed—well lined Sizes 6 to 14. Sensationally low-priced Saturday **$2.19**

Women's $1.00 Madras Waists— Price, unlimited choice of any Woman's $1.00 White or Colored Madras Waist in stock, Saturday **59c**

Women's $20 and $25 Coats In desirable materials—correct fitting or blouse styles—pleated—very swagger, becoming Coats—worth $25 to $30 elsewhere—yours Saturday for **$13.90**

Girls' $5.00 Dresses Of tan, brown, blue, rose, red and other colors—in best quality cashmere—guaranteed for wear—ages 6 to 14, Saturday only **$3.49**

Women's $2.50 Long Kimonos In neat patterns of flannelette — nicely tailored—worth every bit of $2.50, Saturday **$1.79**

EMPHASIS.
Almost need an extra pocketbook to hold the money saved here tomorrow.

YEAR-END SALE ON MEN'S AND BOYS' CAPS

At Unusually Low Prices. Details:

Men's $1.00 Double Band Yacht Caps—in fine kersey cloth, now 63c
Men's 50c and 75c Double Band Collars Caps—in plain or fancy mixed cloth or corduroy, now 25c
Men's $5 Fleece Seal Fur Caps—with pull down band $3.39
Children's 75c and $1.00 Golf Caps—with outside band—in cheviots and cloths, now 44c
Children's $1.00 Fancy Tuxbacks—Astrakhan trimmed, with ear tabs, now 50c
Boys' 65c Astrakhan Cloth Yacht Caps—with double bond—all colors, now 39c
Children's $2 and $2.25 Tam O'Shanters—Astrakhan trimmed—odds and ends to close, choice 98c
Boys' and Misses' 75c and 99c Wool Tuques—double knit, now 59c
Men's Stiff and Soft Hats—odd and ends in Soft Hats that sold at $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50—mostly light colors—also odds and ends of Men's Stiff Hats that sold at $1.49 and $1.98—all bunched together, free choice for only $1.00

YEAR END SALE HOLIDAY GOODS.

Oh, what a crash in prices! NEVER in our history have we so relentlessly slashed prices as now. It's not a matter of cost or less. "Clean out Holiday Goods regardless of price" is the edict from the general manager's office—and here's how we'll follow out instructions:

CUT GLASS: ¼ OFF.
Choice of our entire stock of high grade rich Cut Glass—in Bowls, Nappies, Vases, Celery Dishes, etc., at just ONE-FOURTH OFF our regular low prices.

FANCY TOILET SETS: ½ OFF.
Choice of any and EVERY fancy Celluloid Toilet Set, Work Box, Glove and Handkerchief Box, Collar and Cuff Box, Shaving Set, etc., at ONE-HALF OFF the marked prices.

SILVER TABLEWARE: ⅓ OFF.
Free choice of any and ALL our guaranteed Quadruple Silver Plated Tea Sets, Butter Dishes, Crumb Sets, Bread Trays, etc., at ONE-THIRD OFF the marked prices.

MEN'S UMBRELLAS. MIGHTY VALUES.
Deep cuts in price of Men's Umbrellas. MUST reduce stock at ONCE. Here are two representative specials:
Men's Umbrellas, with plain or fancy handles—sold at $4 and $4.50, choice now for $3
Men's Umbrellas, with finest sterling silver horn and ivory handles, $7.50 to $9 values, choice for $5
Cheaper grades at greatly reduced prices rule.

CUT PRICES ON MUFFLERS.
All our finest mufflers to be closed out. These prices will do it:
$3 Mufflers, now $2
$4 Mufflers, now $3
$5 Mufflers, now $3.50
$7 Mufflers, now $4.50

CUT PRICES ON HOLIDAY SUSPENDERS.
Neckwear, Sweaters, Dress Shields, etc.—biggest bona fide reduction ever made.

DOLLS: ½ OFF.
Closing out balance of our stock of Dressed Dolls, Kid and Jointed Body Dolls, Novelty Dolls, etc., at ONE-HALF OFF the marked prices.

Ebony and Ebonoid Toilet Articles: ½ Off.
A clean sweep of all odds and ends in Toilet Sets, Military Brushes, Brushes, Combs, etc.—all to go at ONE-HALF OFF regular prices.

ROGERS' 1847 TABLEWARE.
Prices slashed right and left. See these values:
Knives or Forks, ½ dozen $1.89
Tea Spoons, ½ dozen $1.05
Dessert Spoons, dozen $1.98
Fish Sets—were $5.00 now $3
Berry Spoons, Ladies' Cold Meat Forks, etc., all at equally great reductions.

Women's Umbrellas: Enormous Reductions.
Prices cut on all our Ladies' fine Holiday Umbrellas—note these savings:
Lot of Women's $3.50 and $4 Umbrellas—mounted with fine gold, silver, pearl and ivory handles, choice $3
Women's Finest Umbrellas, mounted with finest pearl, ivory, gold and silver trimmed handles. Regular $5 to $9 values—choice $5
Cheaper grades all at reduced prices.

HANDKERCHIEFS ALL REDUCED.
Unusual chances to buy Handkerchiefs at greatly reduced prices:
Women's 7c Handkerchiefs, now 4c
Women's 12c and 15c Handkerchiefs, now 10c
Women's 25c Lace Trimmed Handkerchiefs, now 19c
Men's 13c and 17c Fancy Bordered Handkerchiefs, now 7c

CUT PRICES ON SATCHELS.
Dress Suit Cases, Club Bags, Automobile Bags, Pocketbooks, etc.—grandest values ever offered.

YEAR-END SALE MEN'S FURNISHINGS

Prices reduced lower than ever before. Just hints:

MEN'S 50c UNDERWEAR
Ribbed balbriggan, fleece-lined heavy winter weight, in plain colors, now only 24c

Men's 60c and 63c Underwear
Fleece lined Health Underwear, in fast black, blue and fancy mottled effects, now only 36c

MEN'S $2.50 UNDERWEAR
In mercerized silk, glove fitting, ribbed Underwear, in plain colors, odds and ends only; some slightly soiled; now $1.25

FANCY DRESS SHIRTS
Slightly Soiled From Handling during holiday rush—Star and Duquesne makes—all bosom styles—were $1 and $1.50, choice 63c

FINEST NECKWEAR
Men's Finest Silk Neckwear—in squares, Ascots and Four-in-Hands—were $1.50 and $2.00, choice now $1.00

MEN'S GLOVES
Regular $2 and $2.25 Kid Dress and Gloves—Odds and ends, and small lots to close out, choice at $1.00
Lot Men's $2.50 Fine Gauntlets, with buck palm $2.00

MEN'S $1.00 UNDERWEAR
In pure wool, made from selected yarn, in plain colors; heavy winter weight, bargains at $1, now 75c

Men's $1.25 and $1.50 Underwear.
Regular made, heavy ribbed glove fitting balbriggan Underwear, in foreign and domestic makes; now only $1.00

Men's $2.00 and $2.50 Underwear
Regular made camel's hair and plain color wool underwear; odds and ends to close out at $1.50

Bath Robes
Men's $10 Bath Robe Sets now $6.
Men's $6.50 and $7.50 Elderdown Bath Robes now $5.
Men's $6.50 Terry Cloth Bath Robes now $3.75.

Sweaters
Men's $2 Pure Wool Sweaters—in fancy colors, plain and ends, now $1.50.
Boys' $1.00 Wool Sweaters—sizes 24 to 32—odds and ends, now 75c.
Children's Wool Sweaters—with silk stripes—sizes 2 to 4—color values, now 45c.

PRICES UNMERCIFULLY REDUCED IN YEAR-END SALE BOYS' WEAR.

Waited for prices to tumble? They've tumbled. Yes, with SUCH force that new ones bear no semblance to the former. Cost, profit and loss—all to the winds. Goods MUST go. Values like these WILL move 'em—

Boys' $2.50 Reefers Hundreds to choose from—in best chinchilla—storm collar and muff pockets. Made for hardest usage—stylish, up-to-date garments—worth $2.50—at Gusky's—at a minimum, $3.50, in other stores—sizes 3 to 8, Saturday **$1.29**

Boys' $5 Norfolk Suits Also grand assortment of boys' Double Breasted Suits—in cheviots and cassimeres—stylish, serviceable garments—in sizes 3 to 16, Saturday **$3.50**

Boys' $2.50 Sailor Blouse Suits Values extraordinary. Handsome, perfect fitting suits—the very acme of style—in plain blue cheviot—prettily trimmed—positively peerless bargains, for lads, ages 3 to 8, at $2.50, yours, Saturday for **$1.50**

Boys' $3.50 Belted Back Overcoats Prices slashed—right at the most opportune time for you. Coldest weather yet to come. In oxford gray frieze—linings, trimmings of best quality. Absolutely correct in every detail. Worth $3.50. Priced Saturday at only **$2.22**

Boys' $1 Odd Knee Pants In cheviots and cassimeres—made with patent waist bands, very staunch, well appearing garments. In sizes 3 to 16. Elegant values at $1.00. Out they go Saturday for **50c**

EMPHASIS
Prices in force promptly at 8 a. m. Saturday. Don't delay coming.

HOW THIS YEAR-END SALE CUTS SHOE PRICES SATURDAY.

Women's $2.50 Shoes
Exactly 400 pairs—new, shapely shoes—in light or heavy weight soles—patent or kid tips—guaranteed style, priced for quick selling tomorrow **$1.90**

Women's $3.50 Shoes
Two lines of women's Patent Ideal Kid Shoes—in button or lace—medium weight soles—dull kid tops—cheap at $3.50, Saturday **$2.48**

Men's $1.50 Slippers In fine Velour Calf or Vici Kid—hand turn soles—very easy and comfortable, yet nice appearing, Saturday **$1.19**

Men's $3.50 Shoes Limited number—in Box or Velour Calf—strictly hand welted soles—in lace or bucher cut, worth a dollar more elsewhere, Saturday **$2.48**

Men's & Women's Fancy Slippers For Bath or Chamber — always sold for $1.50—all sizes—reduced tomorrow for **75c**

EMPHASIS
Perfect fit guaranteed in every case. Style, quality, fair, the cost.

VICTORIAS AGAIN ARE WINNERS

Keystones Put Up Weak Defense in Second Half and Are Beaten by 5 to 0.

OFFER MADE TO HAMILTON

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Victorias	4	0	1000
Imperials	2	2	500
Keystones	1	3	250
P. A. C.	1	3	250

The Victorias again found the going to their liking, beating the Keystones last night at Duquesne Garden 5 to 0. It was the fourth consecutive victory for Arthur Sixsmith's team—all it has played thus far.

Five of the five goals were shot in the second half, but it was not until the last two minutes of play in the opening session that the Vics were able to shoot goal. Roberts turning the trick on a pretty run down the ice, followed by another by Duvall, although the latter did not succeed in shooting.

The Keystones rushed the puck along the ice in lively fashion in the first half, and the reason they did not shoot goal is that there was not one man on the forward line who could finish any. There were many opportunities for scoring for the Keystones, but they could not take advantage of them. Willard Mehlville, the man on the defense, played a wonderful game, Willett making the only sensational runs for the Keystones, but he, too, was unable to shoot.

Interest in the game dwindled in the second half, when the Victorias took a commanding lead. The players worked hard at times, and then again took matters easy. It was also another easy night for Referee Russell.

Russell was not called upon to send one player to the bench for any violations of the rules, and the blow of his whistle for offside plays was very infrequent. Russell's words of warning the other night relative to rough hockey are still remembered by the players, and none is attempted. Russell himself is giving the best of satisfaction to the patrons of the Garden.

Early in the first half Roberts and A. Sixsmith came tearing down the ice, the latter shooting the puck into the net. The goal, however, was not allowed, as Sixsmith got the puck from Roberts on an offside pass.

The Vics continued to rush the rubber along and gave Richardson many shots to stop. The Keystones at the same time took the puck down the ice, but Duvall and Spittal saved Monday lots of work by stopping numerous rushes.

Near the close of the half Duvall rushed the puck to the Keystones' net, where a lively scrimmage was soon in progress. Henry got the rubber to the right of the net and passed to Roberts, who let drive for the cage. Richardson, who had no one in front of him to ward off the shot, raised his stick to intercept the puck, but it got past him and landed in the net.

The centers had hardly got the puck in action for the beginning of the second half when Duvall took it and got through the field of skaters and sprinted to the Keystones' net, where he shot goal. Roberts followed with another shot, which went for goal. He, too, came down the ice, but he had the entire Vic forward line with him, and the goal was an easy one for him.

The Sixsmiths were responsible for the next goal. Arthur Sixsmith secured the rubber in midfield and eluded the crowd, and at the net turned the rubber over to his brother, who shot it in.

Roberts made another run with the puck and passed to A. Sixsmith, who registered the final score of the game.

Willett got through the field for three runs in this half, but his efforts did not get him anything in the way of securing goals, as he had no one with him on two occasions, and on the last total attempted a shot himself, but Mackay warded it off.

"Puddy" Hamilton, the P. A. C. captain and cover point, last night received two offers from the South Side Marie Dalton club, and it is probable that he will accept and leave for that place in a few days. The offer is a good one, he said, and the fact that he was mixed up in an unpleasant affair last week, when Al Sixsmith shot over the head by him in a game may hasten his determination to leave Pittsburgh.

Lineup of last night's game:

Victorias—5.		Keystones—0.
Mackay	Goal	Richardson
Spittal	Point	Melville
Duvall	Cover Point	Willett
Roberts	Forward	Fields
A. Sixsmith	Center	Taylor
G. Sixsmith	Right Wing	Bright
Henry	Left Wing	Henry

Goals—Duvall, G. Sixsmith, A. Sixsmith, Roberts 2. Referee—Russell.

WILL BE FAST GAME.

Manchester and Buffalo German Team to Meet.

The Manchester team will be up against the toughest proposition of the season tonight in the shape of the crack German Y. M. C. A. five of Buffalo, the champion amateur team of the United States. The Buffalo boys, in more than 150 games played during the past four years, have been defeated but eight times. Among the teams which have fallen before the team work of the Germans this season are Bradford, Pa., Jamestown, N. Y., and Hamilton, Canada, three of the best teams in the country. The team, with one exception, is the same which defeated the local boys 44 to 9 last season, in one of the fastest and cleanest games ever played in this vicinity. Manager Little will have a new man in the game, one who has had considerable experience and who is expected to add strength to the team. Little will also line his men up in a way which he thinks will strengthen their defense play, something which is badly needed.

The Manchester Juniors will meet the fast Railroad five, another team hailing from Manchester and a great rival of the juniors, in a preliminary. Following is the line up for both games:

Manchester.		Buffalo Y. M. C. A.
Graham	Right Forward	Rohde
Koch	Left Wing	Maier
Seifert, Metzler, Elliott, Coe	Center	Heuchel
Hoy, Wallner	Right Guard	Miller
Burry	Left Guard	Faust

PRELIMINARY.

Manchester Jrs.		Railroad.
Tannehill, Bauer	Right Forward	Caboon
O'Neil	Left Wing	Newman, Welsh
King	Center	Thompson
Graham	Left Guard	McIntyre
Albon	Left Guard	Stewart

The first game will be started promptly at 8 o'clock.

Railroad Juniors' Victory.

The Railroad Juniors last night defeated the Fowler A. C. at Railroad hall 27 to 5. The feature was the goal throwing of Stewart and Thompson. The line up:

Railroad—27.		Fowler A. C.—5.
Stewart	Forward	Young
Thompson	Forward	Watson
McIntyre	Center	Hearing
Jones	Guard	White
Gross	Guard	Butzler

Goals from field—Thompson 5, Stewart 4, McIntyre Young, Hearing. Goals from foul—Stewart 7, Watson. Referee and umpire, alternate—Tannehill and Wallner. Timer and scorer—Mueller.

Will Hire Athletic Tourney.

The running team of the Turtle Creek volunteer fire department is preparing for a big wrestling and boxing tournament, to be held in the Turtle Creek bank hall on the evening of January 19. Among the contestants will be "Joe" Schumacker, the amateur champion heavyweight of the United States; George Engel of East Pittsburg, and John Murphy of Pittsburgh, well-known boxers, and Harry F. Allshouse, clever bag puncher of Wilmerding. The affair is to be held to raise funds to equip the fire department.

INJURED IN COLLISIONS.

Fire Department Figures in Two and Street Cars Play a Part.

As the hose wagon of No. 18 fire company was answering an alarm from 550 second avenue yesterday, occasioned by the burning of some rags, Daniel Thornton, an Allegheny man, was run down and painfully bruised.

While truck D was answering an alarm of fire yesterday afternoon it collided with a street car in Lincoln avenue. Clifford Adis, the driver, was thrown from his seat, but was not seriously injured.

E. P. Boughner, aged 40, of 84 Young street, sustained a severe scalp wound in a collision between a wagon and a car on the Suburban line, in Southern avenue, near Center, last night. Six stitches had to be taken in his scalp.

Martin Millstead, 1007 Rebecca street, Allegheny, had his right arm broken and his side and shoulder injured last night by being thrown from a wagon he was driving. He was taken to the Allegheny General hospital.

Miller Bros., of 902 West Diamond street, and Walter Saltman, 2201 Lenora street, Allegheny, were injured about the head and back at Robinson and Federal streets, Allegheny, last night by a wagon in which they were riding being struck by a Rebecca street car.

George Woods of 1108 Larimer avenue was struck by a Hamilton avenue car at Fifth avenue and Tunnel street yesterday morning and sustained numerous cuts and bruises. He was removed to a hospital.

INDEPENDENT CLUB SEEK PIPER AND JACKSON

Both, However, Are Signed With Ilion — Thayer Torreyson to Run Team at East Pittsburgh.

The independent baseball player who signs with a minor league club early in the season often times has causes to repent. Frank Piper, the local catcher who did well with the Jamestown, N. Y. and Warren, O. clubs last summer, tied up with the Ilion New York State league team at the close of that season, at a salary that caught his fancy.

Now he has chances to go with independent clubs at more money than he is to get at Ilion. Manager Springer of the Wilmington, Del., club, who had charge of the Harrisburg team, which won the Tri-state Independent championship last fall, wants him to go with him next season. Piper can get more money at Wilmington than in the New York State league. Manager Marty Hogan, who will have a strong team at Youngstown next summer, would also like to get Piper for his team, while Manager Jimmy Breen, who is to manage the Kane club, Piper may pass up Ilion for Wilmington.

Pitcher Lefty Jackson, the local boy, who was out with Piper last year, is also tied up with Ilion the same as Piper, and he, too, is receiving offers which call for more money than Ilion pays. Manager Breen wants Jackson again, so does Hogan at Youngstown. Jackson tied with Ilion in a peculiar way. At the close of last season Ilion wrote him for his terms. Jackson sent back a figure which he thought Ilion would not meet, but he was surprised to have his terms accepted.

Jackson is also a fine outfielder and a good hitter. He played in the outfield last year when not pitching.

There will likely be a hot inter-urban rivalry next summer in the Turtle Creek valley. Thayer Torreyson of Homestead has opened a business in East Pittsburgh, and next summer intends to start a baseball team, for the purpose of laying out the fast Wilmerding bunch. Torreyson will get a strong bunch together and will lay claim to the championship of the valley, at least he intends to make it merry for Wilmerding and all other aspirants for the title.

PICKED TEAM TO PRACTICE

Askin Sick and May Not Play Against Princeton Monday Night.

The all-interscholastic seven, which meets Princeton Monday night at Duquesne Garden, will practice this evening and tomorrow night. Capt. Charlie Ahl will have all the players out save Askin of East Liberty academy, who is ill. Askin will not be able to play in the regular game Saturday against Shadyside, and neither will Jay Hagan be in the game at the latter, too, is confined to his room.

The absence of these players will weaken East Liberty considerably. In the event of Askin not being able to play Monday night, Burns of East Liberty will play his wing. It was the intention to play Bunton in the second half. Lew Edwards of East Liberty will be added to the list.

The faculty committee of the U. of P. has made a new plan of procedure in controlling athletics. The athlete will be required to give his name, age and address, high school or college that he entered from, date and manner of entrance into the university, whether or not he was induced to enter and finally he must answer as to whether, as a member of any club team, he has ever received expense money that exceeded the actual expense.

It is reported that A. J. Smith, the Punxsutawney boy, may not re-enter U. of P.

Rice, the crack half back, and Costello, the giant tackle of the Cornell eleven, may leave there to enter Lehigh in the engineering course after February. Costello plays on the baseball team also.

SAD SAM'S VICTORY.

It Caused Suspension of Stable at Ingleside.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—The stewards of Ingleside were not satisfied with the appearance of the third race today and suspended the stable of P. C. Donaleche and H. Green, pending further investigation. Sad Sam, owned by Green, was plunged on, while Moneymuss, one of the Donaleche string, after opening equal favorite with him, dropped to 4 to 1. Sad Sam won as he pleased. Moneymuss was a distant second. Green claimed Moneymuss for $1,025, and it was thought there might have been some understanding. Caballo fell in the first race, three furlongs from the finish, and Martin Marsan and Rhondo, who were behind her, also went down. Oliphant sustained a bruised hip, and the other riders escaped injury. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs, selling—Louis Wagner, 99, Larson, 2½ to 1, won; Nullah, 92, Hildebrand, 6 to 1, second; Cardwelton, 104, Wonderly, 4 to 1, third. Time 1:15.

Second race, futurity course, 2-year-olds, purse—Dick Turpin, 110, Wonderly, even, won; Lt. Rasch, 110, Chandler, 8 to 5, second; Military Man, 110, Connell, 5 to 1, third. Time 1:12.

Third race, 6 furlongs, selling—Sad Sam, 104, Sherwood, to 1, won; Moneymuss, 104, J. T. Sheehan, 11 to 5, second; Albemarle, 106, Bell, 6 to 1, third. Time 1:13¾.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Jockey Club, 97, Larson, 11 to 5, won; Nigrette, 94, Connell, 4 to 1, second; Coronal, 99, Hildebrande, 6 to 5, third. Time 1:48.

Fifth race, 5½ furlongs—Shotgun, 110, J. Martin, 2 to 5, won; Mollworth, 113, Wonderly, 2 to 1, second; Peter J., 104, Dugan, 12 to 1, third. Time 1:06¾.

Sixth race, 1 mile, selling—Prestolus, 107, J. Martin, 3 to 1, won; Silvenia, 102, Connell, 3 to 1, second; Ilowaho, 110, W. Waldo, 9½ to 1, third. Time 1:43¾.

STOPPED THE FIGHT.

District Attorney Haymaker Prevents Meeting of Bowser and Kennedy.

Eddie Kennedy of Pittsburg and Mull Bowser of Natrona did not meet in their scheduled 10-round bout last night at Duquesne. Interference on the part of county authorities was the cause of their not meeting. District Attorney Haymaker yesterday commanded County Detective Robinson to stop the fight if it should be started.

Robinson was ordered to be at the clubhouse, and if the fight were started he was to arrest the principals. When the club's office was inside known yesterday afternoon there was sorrow among the managers of the respective fighters. The doors of the clubhouse at Duquesne last night were not opened.

District Attorney Haymaker stated yesterday afternoon that there would be no more prize fighting in this county during his term of office. He said he had been waited upon yesterday by a delegation both for and against the fight, and, after hearing both sides, concluded it would be an injury to the property holders, and the best thing was to stop it.

TO PLAY IN CUBA.

Ball Team Includes Merritt, an ex-Pirate.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—A team of baseball players, among whom are several from Paterson, sailed today on the Ward line steamer Havana for Cuba, where they will play a series of games with the All-Cuban team.

The team is under the management of H. D. Ramsey of Paterson, and the local players are George Merritt, an ex-Pirate, and Edward Pounds of the Cleveland American league team. The others are Shortell, Shultz, Schultz, Gilfort, Tannsetta, both of Birmingham, De Grasi, Beckendorff and Mitchell. The team will be gone six weeks.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

The Tenth U. P. basketball team will play the Lighthead team of the South Side on Monday.

The Arlingtons of the North Side went to Braddock last night and played the Carnegie A. C. tuled team to a tie, the score standing 17 to 17 at the finish of playing time. The game was fast, clean and exciting, the score remaining close and few fouls being called.

The Mayflowers would like to arrange games with the following teams: Watson Juniors, Perrysville Reserves, Trinity A. C. and Hamilton Midgets. Address Manager Bronson and receive prompt attention. Address Manager Thomas Hyanan, care Joseph Horne Company, shipping department.

The Lincoln of Allegheny have reorganized their team and will during the Christmas week play as the "All-Collegians." The members of the club that have been out at college during the year have returned for their vacation and the team is greatly strengthened. They would like to hear from all teams having halls between 40th and Main streets. The Lincolns are especially desirous of hearing from Company F. Address C. H. Leaman, 207 Beach street, Allegheny.

Last night at Bohemian hall the North Sides and the Linden clubs of Allegheny played their annual game of basketball. The argument was a hot one, and when the smoke of the battle cleared away it was found that the North Sides had registered 29 points, while the Lincolns scored 18. The Lincoln club had in its lineup three Cornell university boys. Speyer and the Sunstein brothers, who are home on their Christmas vacations, and these players added considerable strength to the team. The game was a clean and fast exhibition of the sport, and at times waxed warm, much to the delight of the large crowd of spectators.

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SCANLON MAY REMAIN PIRATE

Word Comes from Syracuse to That Effect—Robison Wants Donovan to Remain.

BOSTON DENIES A DEAL

Secretary Locke, who has charge of local baseball headquarters during the absence of President Dreyfus, stated yesterday that there were no new developments in the Pitcher Scanlon case, but he felt certain that the player would not be allowed to escape, and as President Dreyfuss is handy to the seat of action some developments can be looked for at most any time.

A special from Syracuse, the home of Scanlon, says: "It is stated about baseball circles in this city that "Bill" Scanlon, the crack twirler of the State league last season, and who, it was understood, was sold to Pittsburgh by the Ilion club, has been placed on the Ilion reserve list. Scanlon was given a trial by Pittsburgh the latter part of last season and the Syracuse boy looked so promising to Dreyfuss and his gang that negotiations with Ilion were begun immediately after his first game, but from President Hermann's decision it seems that Pittsburgh never paid a cent for Scanlon.

"It is known that Pittsburgh is after Scanlon's services and whether or not the Pirate management has paid Ilion for the Syracuse player, he will be a member of the Pirate team next season. Dreyfuss is known as the 'wise magnate' of the baseball profession and knows the good and bad features of a ball player, and this same magnate has of late been hard to remark favorably in regard to the Syracuse boy."

From St. Louis comes word that Charley Nichols, manager and boxman, and Patsy Donovan, erstwhile hustler and right fielder, is the combination Frank Robison wants to line up for 1904. Robison wants Nichols to take hold because a switch he thinks would be good for the club. Robison does not want to part with Donovan, appreciating the fact that he is his best player. Whether Donovan will permit reduction to the ranks remains to be seen. His contract, of course, expires the $5,500 salary. Nichols said in passing through: "Kansas City and the Western league still have me; later perhaps I'll be a Cardinal. I'm not averse to being a Microbe or anything else, but I'm still in Kansas City."

The report sent out early in the week that the New York Americans had traded ex-Pirate Jesse Tannehill to Boston for Pitcher Tom Hughes seems to have been a bit premature. A special from Boston says: "Owner Henry Killelea of the Boston American club in a telegram to the local papers today, emphatically denies that Tom Hughes has been traded to the New York Invaders for Pitcher Tannehill. Killelea further states that unless Collins wants to let Hughes go he will not be traded or released.

"The announcement sent out by Frank Farrell of the New York club that he had secured Hughes, met with much dissatisfaction here. Hughes last season won 21 games and lost only 7, and with Collins wants a left handed pitcher badly the fans think he should retain Hughes."

MAY BE AN AUTO WAR.

The Control of Racing Is Wanted By Two Organizations and Trouble Is Likely.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—A war is threatened between the American Automobile association and the American Motor league for the control of automobile racing in this country. At present the former organization is handling the sport. According to a person who is in a position to know, the American Motor league has had men to approach a number of the more important handlers of cars which are represented on the race track with a request that they take their machines under the control of the A. M. L.

The war seems to be to a great extent a personal affair between Isaac Roth, the controlling spirit of the organization of the A. M. L., and C. H. Gillette, the secretary of the American Automobile association. Some time ago the report was circulated that the motor league intended to make a fight for racing. Secretary Gillette was interviewed and then spoke in bitter terms of both. It is now said that the A. M. L. will organize a circuit. As far as could be learned the A. A. A. officials and others who were approached objected to the project of the A. M. L., feeling well satisfied with the present management of the sport. The A. A. A. is preparing for an active campaign next year.

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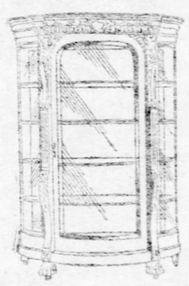

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NEW ORLEANS STEWARDS ARE AFTER THE JOCKEYS

One Was Set Down for Careless Riding and One Stable Was Placed Under Suspension.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—Parisienne and Colonel Taylor were the winning favorites today. In the third race Higgins on One More, crowded Meistersinger into the fence and was suspended for three days for foul riding. Hanford in the same race strolled the position of the stewards, who thought him under the influence of drugs, and they ordered the refusal of entrance in the future from the stable of J. J. Oliviere, his owner. Weather clear. Track fast. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs—Parisienne, 109, W. Hicks, 7 to 10, won; Dunkey, 92, W. Fisher, 8 to 1, second; Miss Hume, 103, Higgins, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:18 4-5.

Second race, selling, mile—Ind Envoy, 89, W. Hennessy, 4 to 1, won; The Regent, 106, Fuller, 13 to 5, second; Sarah Maxim, 93, Phillips, 13 to 5, third. Time, 1:40 2-5.

Third race, mile—Col Tyler, 105, Helgerson, 7 to 2, won; One More, 107, Higgins, 4 to 1, second; Radford, 110, Hoffer, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:42 3-5.

Fourth race, 2-year-olds, selling, 6 furlongs—Aggie Lewis, 96, Helgerson, 5 to 1, won; Agnes Brennan 107, Gannon, 7 to 1, second; Julia M., 101, Salting, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 2-5.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Sudduman, 109, Cochran, 3 to 1, won; Dr. A. Love, 104, Higgins, 100 to 1, second; New York, 117, Fuller, 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:00 4-5.

Sixth race, 5½ furlongs, 6 furlongs—Wrath of Day, 109, Hoffer, 3 to 1, won; Tantivate Favorite, 103, Higgins, 11 to 5, second; Alice Green, 91, W. Hennessy, 50 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.

ASCOT PARK OPENING.

Fine Crowd Present and Racing Was Spirited.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 24.—Ascot park was thrown open to the public today, and 8,500 people witnessed a program of six good races, two of which were dead heats. The winners of the card were the Monte Lowe handicap worth $1,420 to the winner, over a six furlong course. Ten starters faced the starter. Golden Rule opened and closed favorite. The Fog, at 3 to 1, went in front at once and finished three and a half lengths ahead of Lester Reiff's Best Man, which was a length in front of Red Fog, the third one. Time, 1:14½. Golden Rule was weighted down with 126 pounds and was never prominent in the running. Summaries:

First race, 7 furlongs—Ocean Dream, 101, F. Phillips, 4 to 5, won; Dr. Sherts, 109, Mountain, 15 to 1, second; Dupont, 105, Adams, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:28.

Second race, Pomona course (200 feet short of 6 furlongs)—Golden Rule, 126, Adams, 2 to 1, won; Labor, 107, Miles, 8 to 1, second; Urbina, 108, F. Phillips, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:12¾.

Third race, 5 furlongs, 2-year-olds—Strife, 104, Cannon, 12 to 1, won; Golden Mineral, 104, C. Spencer, 3 to 1, second; Alma Dufour, 105, Lewis, 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:04⅗.

Fourth race, 1 mile, Mount Lowe handicap—The Fog, 107, Morris, 3 to 1, won; Best Man, 112, T. Reiff, 10 to 1, second; Red Fog, 107, L. Spencer, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:14½.

Fifth race, 2 1-16 miles, selling—Prince, 105, W. Knapp, 7 to 1, won; Glen Dine, 106, L. Spencer, 3 to 1, second; Jim Hale, 105, T. O'Brien, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:50¾.

Sixth race, 1 mile, selling—Monty, 102, F. Phillips, 6 to 1, won; Ida Reed, 94, Reiders, 4 to 1, second; Lemco, 95, Lewis, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:44.

SHARKEY IN TRAINING

The Ex-Sailor Starts to Get Ready for Munroe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Tom Sharkey is in training again. He wants to be in first-class shape when he meets Jack Munroe, with whom he was matched last week. Today the sailor began work in Riley's gymnasium, in Twenty-third street. After the bell-slays he will take up quarters at Shepshead Bay. The fight is scheduled to take place within two months. Sharkey believes he will win from Munroe.

"I want another chance at Jeffries, and by beating this miner chap I will be in line for another try at the championship," said Sharkey today.

Will Shoot for Chickens.

The Braddock Gun club will hold a chicken shoot at their range in Hawkins this afternoon, and all local shooters are invited to attend.

THE LITTLE FIGHTERS ARE FIT FOR BATTLE

"Young Corbett" Is Close to Weight While Hanlon Is at the Mark and in Fine Shape.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Dec. 24.—When Eddie Hanlon had concluded his work this afternoon he weighed 130 pounds. "Young Corbett" affects to his duties exercises well and weighs 132½ pounds. Hanlon put in a hard day. He has been bowling around the 134 pound mark for several days, and he made up his mind to take off a little weight in a hurry. He covered the six miles on the road in company with Trainer Foley in the morning, and in the afternoon he put in about an hour and a quarter bag punching rope skipping and shadow fighting with Jack Dempsey, the Irish lightweight.

Hanlon told his friends that he did not think his condition could be improved upon. He said he was just aching to get into the ring and fight, and that he only had to be weighed to be matched with "Young Corbett" inside the 24 hours, provided by the articles. Talking of his opponent, Hanlon said:

"Corbett has fought Harry Tuley, Fred Landers and Toby C. Irwin in my opinion. They have been behind me in all my battles and are good enough for me now.

"Young Corbett had an easy day of it. Instead of trailing miles along the ocean beaches and bays, he took a short walk and then had his customary rub in the house. In the afternoon he sparred a few rounds with Monte Attell and worked through a course of wrist and shadow fighting, the purpose of which seemed the strengthening of the abdominal muscles. The latter exercise was to counteract Corbett's habit of developing a muscularly powerful chest, so early in the fight. It is my belief that Corbett will come in a little weaker in the stomach than he was when he fought Terry McGovern, but I will make up for it by being more active and faster on my feet. The champion then said 'Tim McGrath, armed with the papers, left, and, for once was a happy man. Corbett and his party then returned to the chickens and dinner up to take him over the hot-tamales.

Corbett says he will make the weight easily and he is fine fettle for the fray when the time comes, and his appearance fully justifies his prediction.

Donohue Will Coach Yale.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Jack Donohue, a member of the pitching corps of the Cleveland team, has been engaged to coach the Yale ball team. Donohue will take charge of the squad about March 1. He will give some of his attention to the pitching and general battery work, and will be assisted by the graduate coaches. Donohue will not be taken south with the rest of the Cleveland team, but will get into shape while pitching the Yale games.

O'Brien Beated Jeffords.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Jack O'Brien of this city, the latter of the six-rounds bout with Jim Jeffords tonight at the Roundwood Athletic club. In the third round Jeffords said O'Brien, a little groggy, but he soon had the advantage in the end of the fight.

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Overcoats in the very latest three-quarter length and smaller. Made of oxford mixtures, all-wool kerseys or genuine Irish frieze. Perfectly tailored and well lined. Also men's stylish suits of fancy cassimeres and cheviots, or plain colorings. Garments which are worth every cent of $12.50, reduced Saturday to..... $9.75

Men's Overcoats—Extra Special. Three-quarter length coats of heavy Oxford grey materials, well lined and trimmed. Sold up till now at $7.50 and are worth every cent of their former price. Reduced Saturday to..... $5.00

Men's Suits and Overcoats, formerly $15 to $20, All Reduced.

This is a sweeping clearance—it comprises our entire stock of high-grade garments. The original price-tags remain on them and every customer can satisfy himself as to genuineness of their reduction. Stop in and investigate these lines if you want really elegant garments..... All at Reduced Prices

Boys' Wear.

We have supplemented our own stock by purchasing the surplus of a New York maker at about half price. This, combined with price slashing on our own goods, enables us to offer up-to-date juvenile clothing at unheard-of prices.

Boys' Suits, in every correct style and shade. Choice of double-breasted Norfolk, sailor-Norfolk and blouse effects, made of every desirable material. Ages 3 to 16 years. Choice out at $1 and $1.50..... $2.00

Boys' Suits, in Russian blouse, sailor blouse, regular blouse, Norfolk, sailor-Norfolk, reefer, double-breasted and three-piece styles. Regular $3 and $3.50 garments, in ages 3½ to 16 years, go on sale Saturday at..... $4.75

Boys' Overcoats of cheviots, kerseys and oxford grey and black materials, in ages 3 to 10, regular $7.50 values, at the Sale Prices of..... $5.00

Young Men's Suits, in the newest shades of Scotch cheviots and cassimeres; either single or double-breasted effects. Sizes 14 to 19. Should bring $10 and $12. Your choice Saturday at..... $7.75

Young Men's Suits, very nobby dress garments for young men from 15 to 19 years of age. Made of cheviots and cassimeres, in single or double-breasted styles. An attractive showing of $12.50 and $15 suits at..... $9.50

Young Men's Overcoats, in long or medium lengths. Choice of black or oxford grey cheviots, in ages 15 to 19 years. All other ulsters you would have to pay $12, $13 and $15, here Saturday only..... $8.75

Young Men's Overcoats of black or oxford grey cheviots, in every desirable shade, cut with broad shoulders, loose back and lined with Italian cloth. Either long or medium lengths. Ages 15 to 19. Exceptional offering at..... $12.50

Holiday Goods In Many Instances At ½ Off.

The holiday goods which remain in our stocks will be sacrificed tomorrow at deep-cut prices. These reductions quoted here are bona fide—the plainly marked prices are the identical ones at which the goods sold before Xmas—you make your own deductions at say 1-2, 1-3 or 1-4 less—as the case may be. For buyers of New Year's presents this is a golden opportunity for anyone who appreciates real money-saving bargains this is a harvest.

⅓ Off All Watches.

This sweeping discount is on every watch in stock priced over $5.00. It includes men's, boys', women's and misses' watches in gold filled, solid gold, silver or enameled cases. Take your choice of these fully guaranteed watches and pay 1-3 less than the regular marked price.

⅓ Off Leather Goods.

This sweeping reduction cuts 1-3 off the prices on Traveling Sets, Card Cases, Writing Tablets, Bill Folds, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Collar and Cuff Boxes, etc., etc.

⅓ OFF *All Silver Plated Hollow Ware, Cake Plates, Butter Dishes, Sugar and Cream Sets, etc.*

⅓ OFF *Silk and Eiderdown Kimonos and Negligees.*

⅓ OFF *All Women's Fancy Tea Aprons.*

⅓ OFF *Women's and Children's Felt Slippers.*

⅓ OFF *All Men's Blanket Flannel Bath Robes.*

⅓ OFF *All Men's Fine Turkish Bath Robes.*

⅓ OFF *All Fancy Silk Holiday Suspenders.*

⅓ OFF *All Men's Fancy Mufflers.*

½ Off All Toys and Dolls.

Everything that remains in our basement toy section is slashed one-half. The balance of our Xmas stock of toys, dolls and games is to go at half price. There is not much left, but what is must disappear immediately, as extensive alterations are to be started at once in our basement. Take your choice of any toy, doll or game and pay just one-half the marked price.

½ OFF *All Fancy Gauze Fans, marked at $1 to $5.*

½ OFF *All Fancy Jewelry Boxes, none reserved.*

½ OFF *Celluloid, Ebonoid or Stag Toilet Sets.*

½ OFF *Entire Stock of Mantel Clocks.*

½ OFF *Smoking Sets, Writing Sets, Ink Wells.*

½ OEF *Albums of celluloid, plush or leather.*

⅓ Off House Coats.

Men's House or Smoking Jackets at 1-3 less than marked prices. Thus—$10 Coats at $6.65, $7.50 Coats at $5.00 and so on.

¼ Off Umbrellas.

All our Men's or Women's fine Umbrellas at ¼ off. This includes our entire holiday stock of high grade Umbrellas. Take your choice and pay ¼ less than marked.

¼ OFF *All Men's Fancy Night Robes.*

¼ OFF *All Men's High Grade Sweaters.*

¼ OFF *Men's Jersey Coats and Cardigan Jackets.*

¼ OFF *All Men's Fur Driving Gloves.*

¼ OFF *Our Entire Holiday Stock of Art Novelties, Silk, Satin and Embroidered Pillows, Linen Scarfs, Doylies, etc.*

¼ OFF *Fitted Suit Cases and Bags or Alligator Bags.*

⅓ OFF *Pompadour Combs in shell or amber.*

Headwear.

These reduced prices will attract shrewd shoppers to our hat dep't tomorrow.

Men's Fur Caps Reduced. French seal, in driving and Detroit styles. Regular $3 values, Saturday at..... $1.49

Men's Corduroy Caps, in blue, brown and grey. Choice of Windsor or Brighton shapes and double vizine at..... 25c

Boy's Golf Caps, in assorted colors, with double band. Saturday we offer 25c caps at, each..... 13c

Children's Toques. Fine all-wool knit toques, in solid colors or stripes, 25c qualities go at..... 15c

Men's Derby and Soft Hats, made of pure fur felt and finished with silk binding and band. Should be $2; choicest black, tan, pearl or brown, at..... $1.24

Underwear.

Sweeping reductions throughout the men's underwear stock—note these unheard-of-values.

Men's 50c Underwear, in various shades, with fleece lining. All sizes. Specially priced at..... 29c

Men's 75c Underwear. All-wool scarlet underwear, cochenille dyed and strictly sanitary. Reduced to..... 50c

Men's $1 Hygienic Underwear, the celebrated Wright's make. Fleeced lined. Never before sold under $1, now..... 69c

Men's $1.25 Underwear, all-wool and natural camel's hair. Sizes up to 50. An exceptional offering at..... 75c

Men's $1.50 Underwear, ribbed, heavy weight and strictly all-wool. A showing which cannot be duplicated elsewhere at..... 85c

Men's Shoes.

Extraordinary after-Christmas bargains from the shoe section.

MEN'S $3 SHOES AT $1.95.

Tomorrow morning we place on sale a special purchase of 500 pairs of men's fine footwear. These are patent colskin, velour calf or box calf shoes—the stock is selected and of strictly high grade character. Made with genuine rock oak soles and every detail stamps them regular $3 shoes, which they are. An underpriced purchase enables us to say, per pair..... $1.95

About 100 Pairs Left of the famous "Keith's Konqueror" $3.50 shoes. These are the balance of our recent seasational sale. We are closing them out at, per pair..... $2.25

Millinery.

In our our millinery department we are cutting prices still deeper in order to clean up our entire stock by the first of the year. Note a few of the reduced figures.

$1.00 Dress Shapes go at only 10c.

$1.50 Ready-to-Wear Hats, each, 25c.

Girls' $1.50 Imitation Beaver Flats, 25c.

$1.50 and $2 Velvet Dress Shapes, 48c.

$1.50 and $2.50 Fancy Feathers, each 25c.

$2.00 Long Amazon Plumes, reduced to 75c.

$3.00 Trimmed Hats, special, each, $1.

$5 and $6 Trimmed Hats, now only $2.00.

Suits, Coats, Furs.

Our second floor department is making many important reductions on Women's Fashionable Suits, Coats and Furs.

$20, $18 and $15 Coats. Winter coats for women and misses, in military styles. Made of kersseys, mixtures and broadcloths, in three-quarter or shorter lengths. Trimmed with braids and military buttons. Also fitting coats, with puff sleeves, fancy cuffs and straps. All go at..... $10

$20 and $25 Coats, $15. A large variety of stylish winter coats, in three-quarter lengths. Made of kerseys broadcloths and coverts, trimmed with shoulder capes and straps. Silk lined. Choice offer for Saturday at..... $15

$25 Tailor-Made Suits, $16.50. Made of mixtures, in various colors. Coats with half fitted backs and Rose straight front. Silk lined. Skirts in walking lengths. Also cheviot dress suits, with three-quarter length blouse coat and shoulder capes. An attractive display at..... $16.50

Girls' Coats Reduced. An unequaled showing of girls' coats, in full lengths, made of shetlines and kerseys, in various colors, with military collars, velvet piping and side pockets. Cut in double-breasted styles. Ages 4 to 14 years. Unheard-of bargains at $10, $7.95, $6 and..... $3.95

SOCIETY

THE first of the entertainments arranged for the school and college girls and boys will be given this evening, Mrs. J. H. McClelland having issued cards for a dance for her daughter. During the last few days the girls and boys have been coming home, and today family parties are complete. Miss Marguerite Frew, Miss Mary L. Painter and Miss Euphemia Bakewell came last Friday from Dobbs Ferry, accompanied by Miss Virginia Frew, who is attending school in New York this year. From Miss Somer's school in Washington, D. C., came Miss Helen Rook, Miss Annabel Baggaley, Miss Gretchen Park, Miss Lucille Mellon, Miss Edith M. Jennings and Miss Florence Bruce. Miss Frances Hamilton came home from the Gilman school in Cambridge, Mass.; Miss Mary Schultz and Miss Helen Witherow from Miss Dana's school in Morristown, N. J., and Miss Katherine Reed from Bryn Mawr. Miss Jane Torrence, Miss Florence Gregg, Miss Ruth Zimmers, Miss Abbie Worcester and Miss Katherine Worcester are home from Vassar, and from Miss Mittleberger's school in Cleveland came Miss Rachel Sedgwick, Miss Agnes McKay and Miss Evelyn McKay. Among the Ogontz girls who are home are Miss Hester Singer, Miss Ruth Walker, Miss Bessie Hamilton, and Miss Harriet Halsey.

The Yale and Princeton hockey game in Duquesne Garden has attracted the interest of the college boys and nearly all of them have come home for the holidays, among them being Childs Frick, Harvey McClintock, Walter McClintock, Clifford Bakewell, Ewing Flaherty, Don Dalhmeyer, Baird Allswood, Moorhead Hoyland, James H. Reed, Howard Armstrong, James Rea, Alston Moorhead, Joseph Holmes, John Scott and Charles Rafferty. The group of boys who are attending St. Paul's school in Concord, N. H., are at home, and include Harry Darlington, Jr., Harmar Denny, Jr., Archibald Denny and Louis Park.

The following graduates of the Pittsburgh high school are home from college to spend the holiday vacation: From Harvard came Sydney Watts, Robert Foerster, Harry Bluestone, Allan Davis, Cornell, Phil Lewis, Reed Thomas, Howard Jones, James Fisher, Clyde Loughridge, John Todd, William McKown, Owen Thomas, Albert Mann, Montgomery Sleesh, M. Haupt; Lehigh, Frank Vockrodt, Cortelyou Burrell, Geo. Fred Haller; State, Albert Little; Yale, Louis Adelman, Benjamin Brasley, Joseph Reich, George Gundlefinger; University of Pennsylvania, Norman Miller, Albert W. Mosser, M. Siefffield, Bruce Miller, Charles Mellis, Howard Haney, James Forsythe, P. Goat.

Washington and Jefferson boys are Leighton Campbell, J. Roy Dickie, Lafayette, Wilson McCandless; Jefferson, Medical college, John Lambie, Randall Zimmerman, Homer McCandy.

The girls who are home from Vassar are Misses Roberta Johns, Miss Mildred McCloskey, Miss Annie Campbell, Miss Gladys Crawford, Miss Josephine Stutz, Miss Helen St. Peter, Smith, Miss Mary Bickel, Miss Alma Roberts, Miss Marie Roberts; Woman's college, Baltimore, Miss Margaret Kelly; Wellesley, Miss Zillah Grimes; Mt. Holyoke, Miss Ethel Burnette; Bucknell, Miss Hazel Clark; Oberlin, Miss Alice Harlow and Western Reserve, Miss Jean McFall, Miss Adelaide Hunter, Miss Cora Dunnella.

A prize of books is given annually to a certain number of meritorious students at Harvard. Robert Foerster of Pittsburgh High school, class of '06, was one of the distinguished number this year. Mr. Foerster and Sidney Watts were classed among the scholars of the first group at the announcement of distinctions last week at Harvard, and Harry Illesions was announced among those of the second group. These young men all took high honors in their respective classes in the Pittsburgh High school.

Hubert P. Smith of Wilkinsburg is home from the Ohio State university in Columbus. O. Buber Brady of Edgewood, another student in the Ohio State university, is at home for the holidays. Mr. Brady received several honors, being elected class chairman and then treasurer of the class of 1907. He is also chairman of the class choral committee, and left end on the freshman class football team.

Solitude Opened for the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Westinghouse, with George Westinghouse, Jr., and Miss Violet Brockelbank, arrived in Pittsburgh at noon yesterday and immediately invitations were sent over the telephone for a dinner last evening at Solitude. Covers were laid for 12 and the table was decorated with a centerpiece of red roses and foliage. This evening Mr. and Mrs. Westinghouse will give a second dinner. They expect Rear Admiral Melville to reach Pittsburgh this morning. He will be entertained at Solitude and will be present at the dinner this evening. How long Mrs. Westinghouse will remain in Pittsburgh is indefinite, but the family will be here at least until after January 1. Mr. Westinghouse expects to sail for England the middle of January for a short business trip. Miss Brockelbank also intends to make a visit to her home in London and, it is expected, will sail for the other side in January.

An Allegheny Christmas Treat.

Four hundred and fifty children yesterday were wildly enthusiastic over the appearance of Santa Claus in the Cyclorama hall, when Master James Wood Scully, Fa., assumed the role of the genial saint and visited the Christmas entertainment of the Farmington Aid society. At 2 o'clock the hall was filled with children and Santa Claus, with the aid of a corps of young women, distributed toys and boxes of candy to the little people. The toys were the gift of Mrs. Henry Darlington, who each year provides this portion of the Christmas treat for the poor children. They were given ice cream and cake, and each one went home happy with a box of candy in one hand and a toy in the other. The Farmington Aid society also sent a Christmas dinner yesterday to each of 40 families.

The Farmington Aid society includes among its members only those who have attended the fashionable school in Farmington, Ohio, and is in reality an alumnae association, but one which does not work for an endowment for its alma mater. Instead, it devotes its energies to relieving distress by the employment of a trained nurse, Miss Cooper, who visits the needy, sick and those in distress and provides them with clothing, supplies for the house and delicacies for the invalid. Its officers are: President, Miss Belle Chalfant; vice president, Miss Rebecca Darlington; secretary, Miss Ricketson; treasurer, Mrs. William H. Robinson.

Meeting of Kindergarten Association.

The regular monthly meeting of the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Free Kindergarten association will be held tomorrow morning in the Kindergarten college in Fifth avenue, Oakland, at 10:30 o'clock. The death a few days ago of Mrs. William A. Herron, president of the association, has called forth heartfelt expressions of loss and sympathy for the members of her family. Mrs. Herron had been the president of the association ever since its organization, and for the eleventh consecutive year was elected president at the annual meeting the last Saturday in November. Resolutions relating to the loss which the association feels in her death will be passed at the meeting tomorrow. Mrs. Herron was also the leader in the movement to establish a Kitchen Garden Association in Pittsburgh on the same lines as the Free Kindergarten association.

Pittsburghers in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Thompson, who were in Pittsburgh a week ago and spent a few days at their home in Lincoln avenue, Allegheny, have returned to their home in Rockhill, near New York, where they will remain the greater part of the winter. The Thompsons were in New York last evening for the initial performance of "Parsifal."

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Park of Western avenue, Allegheny, and their family, are spending the holidays in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Park having gone east on Tuesday evening. They were in the Metropolitan opera house last night. Others who went east to witness this greatest of Wagner's master pieces were Mr. and Mrs. David Aiken Reed and Charles W. Scovel.

Miss Elizabeth Webster will leave on Monday for New York to attend the second performance of "Parsifal" on Thursday evening, December 31. Her brother, Beveridge Webster, may possibly accompany her and they will then remain to hear Victor Herbert's new opera, "Babette," with Miss Fritzi Scheff in the title role.

Mr. and Mrs. James Stephen Martin and George H. Wilson intend going to New York next week to hear "Parsifal" on December 31, and at each later performance of this great music drama there will be several Pittsburgh people, who have postponed their New York trip until after the holidays.

Christmas at Rowantea.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander R. Peacock of Rowantea, North Highland avenue, have planned an elaborate, although informal, entertainment for their house guests this evening. A large tree placed in the great hall will be covered with Christmas presents, the distribution of gifts to be followed by a dance for the young people. An interesting musical program has also been prepared, Luigi Von Kunits, violinist, and David Baxter, the Scotch singer, being the soloists, while the orchestral numbers will be played by Gerner's orchestra.

In the Rowantea house party are Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bedell, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Swaim, Miss Swaim, Miss Allen and James Neilson, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. James Norvell and Miss Alexander Norvell and her three children, from Orange, N. J.

Miss Marion Clarke's Debut.

Another debutante made her bow to society last night. Mrs. Edward L. Clarke gave a ball at the Pittsburgh club last evening to introduce her daughter, Miss Marion Clarke. Four figures were danced, one before supper and three after, the leaders being Hilton C. Childs and George S. Oliver and Thomas McConnell, Jr. On one corner of the ball room stood a large, low table presided over by several of Mrs. Clarke's friends, who aided her in distributing the dainty favors. Among the pretties of these were small leather whips, tied with bows of tinsel and bright ribbon for the men and quaint little pink paper parasols, tied with long pink ribbons and having showers of tiny pink blossoms falling from each wire. The decorations were elaborate.

Morris—Perry.

SALEM, O., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—The marriage of Fred J. Perry, a young business man of Pittsburgh, and Miss Beulah, daughter of Caleb Morris, near Damascus, O., was solemnized last evening at the home of the bride's parents, by the Rev. H. M. Moore of Beloit. They will reside in Pittsburgh.

Forger—Bale.

Miss May E. Forger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Forger of Tarentum, was married last evening to Dr. George Cooper Bale at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride. The Rev. Laird Wiley of Cleveland, O., performed the ceremony. After a wedding supper the bridal couple left for an eastern trip and will be at home in Tarentum after January 10.

Lelin—Berson.

A pretty wedding occured at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lelin, in Meyersdale, Pa., last night when Miss Mary E. Leith and Charles S. Berson of Meyersdale were married. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Benjamin B. Collins, pastor of Zion Evangelical church, Meyersdale, Pa. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom departed for Washington, D. C., and will go to Florida. The groom is a bookkeeper in the Farmers bank.

Come on the Kron Prinz.

Mrs. James Stewart will entertain some friends at her home in Wellesley avenue during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. James C. Stewart and their daughters, Miss Alexandra and Miss Pannebeke, who reached New York on the Kron Prinz yesterday from England, will arrive in Pittsburgh this morning. On New Year's evening Mrs. Stewart will entertain a large party of the school and college set in honor of her granddaughter, Miss Elizabeth Stewart, cards for this affair having been issued during the week.

Larkin Gets Ammunition.

Controller John B. Larkin said yesterday that he had received from the smaller towns and boroughs letters in answer to his request for information concerning the cost of electric light. By his manner more than by his words the controller gives the impression that the new information will make ammunition for use in his fight against the 10-year contract for electric light which Director Edward M. Bigelow intends to put through councils, if he can.

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A COMFORT to the sole and a delight to the eye is our latest stock of New Year footwear. Shapely shoes, high in quality, right in price. Our Holiday Hosiery is not only a delight to see, but greater to wear.
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Thousands of children will be made happy today by the beautiful books they will receive from Kaufmanns, it being the eighteenth annual distribution by the "big store" to the children of the Sunday mission and other schools of Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia. Ever since the popular move started 18 years ago the number of books necessary for the purpose has steadily increased, there being needed this year 95,000 books, 10,000 more than were necessary last year. The books are appropriate ones for young folks and include entertaining and instructive matter, besides illustrations. The illuminated colored covers bear the inscription: "Kaufmanns' Sunday School Greetings."

There was considerable work involved in the distribution. From each place of which the books were sent there had been received by request beforehand orders stating the number of scholars, the date on which the books would be received and to whom they were to be sent. Those who received the books were as follows:

Presbyterian.

Tabernacle, Collins and Station street, East End; First Italian, corner Larimer and Mayflower; East End, corner of Franklin and Peebles streets, Wilkinsburg; Concord, near Smithdown; Monticello Milestone, Monteoth, Pa.; Bethel, Penn township, Lebanon; First Lutheran, Pittsburg, Pa.; First Presbyterian church of Ford City, Pa.; McClure Avenue Presbyterian of Allegheny; Forty-third Street Presbyterian, corner Fort, Grey and Laurence streets, city; Greenfield Presbyterian, corner of Colman and Alter street, Bloy, Mt. Washington Presbyterian, Grandview avenue and Kearsarge street, city; Hazelwood Presbyterian, corner Lowrie and Lytle streets, Hazelwood; Highland Presbyterian church of Perrysville, Pa.; Chartiers Presbyterian, Clairton, Pa.; Oakland Presbyterian, Bouquet Street, city; Presbyterian church of East McKeesport, Pa.; French Presbyterian church of Charleroi, Pa.; Round Hill Presbyterian church, Elizabeth, Long, Pa.; Herron Avenue Presbyterian, city; West End Presbyterian, Mansfield avenue, West End, city; Lawrenceville Presbyterian church, between Penn and Butler streets, city; Faith chapel, South Side, city; Grace Memorial, Arthur Street, Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian of Greentree, Pa.; Ligonier Presbyterian church, Ligonier, Pa.; Hawthorne Avenue Presbyterian church, Crafton, Pa.; Amity Presbyterian church, Washington avenue, Dravosburg, Pa.; Third Presbyterian church of McDonald, Pa.; McCandless Avenue Presbyterian church, corner McCandless avenue and Carnegie avenue, Fifteenth ward, city; South Side Presbyterian church, Twentieth and Sarah street, South Side, city; Blackmore Avenue Mission, Blackmore and Frankstown avenue, city; Park Avenue Presbyterian church, Park avenue and Lang street, East End, city; Homewood Avenue Presbyterian, corner Homewood avenue and Bennett street, city; Second Pine Tree Presbyterian, Pine Tree, Pa.; First German Presbyterian of Allegheny, Glenfield; Presbyterian church of Glenfield, Pa.; Hayaville Presbyterian church, Hayaville, Pa.; Manchester Presbyterian church, Market and Franklin streets, Allegheny, Pa.; Second Street Presbyterian church, School and Kilbuck street, Allegheny, Pa.

United Presbyterian.

First United Presbyterian, Taylorstown, Pa.; First United Presbyterian, Latrobe, Pa.; First United Presbyterian, Knoxville, Pa.; First United Presbyterian of Rochester, Pa.; Tenth United Presbyterian church, Second and Neville streets, Allegheny; Ninth United Presbyterian, Fourteenth and Bingham streets, South Side, city; Thirty-third Street United Presbyterian, city; Thirteenth United Presbyterian, Washington avenue and Grandview, city; Lincoln Avenue United Presbyterian, corner Lincoln and Shetland avenues; Fourth United Presbyterian, corner Lincoln and Friendship avenues, city; Hamilton Avenue United Presbyterian, Scott and Hamilton avenues, Bellevue; Ridge avenue United Presbyterian church, Ridge avenue, Allegheny; Eighth United Presbyterian church, Perrysville and Tripoli avenues, Allegheny, Pa.; Woodville United Presbyterian, Woodville, Pa.; First United Presbyterian, corner Perrysville and Duquesne avenues, Allegheny; First United Presbyterian of Clairton, Pa.; Eleventh United Presbyterian, 220 Forbes street, city; Seventh United Presbyterian, corner California avenue and Shalley place, Allegheny; Twelfth United Presbyterian, Western avenue and Manhattan street, city; First United Presbyterian of Sharpsburg, Pa.; Seventh United Presbyterian, Forty-fourth street, city; Good Hope United Presbyterian, Penn avenue and Twenty-fifth street, city; Italian United Presbyterian mission, Brighton and Milford avenues, city; Sixth United Presbyterian, Franklin and Chartiers streets, Allegheny; Italian United Presbyterian, corner Sixth avenue and Cherry alley, city; First United Presbyterian of Bovia Vista, Pa.; First United Presbyterian of Parkhouse, Pa.; Eleventh United Presbyterian church, West End; Eighth United Presbyterian church, Evergreen, Van Braam and Locust streets, city; United Presbyterian church of Dobova, Pa.; First United Presbyterian, Midway, Pa.; First United Presbyterian church, Fifth avenue, Oakland, East End, city; Fifth United Presbyterian church, corner Irwin avenue and Fillmore street, Allegheny, Pa.; First United Presbyterian church of Sewickley, Pa.; Olivet United Presbyterian, Ella street, city.

Methodist Episcopal.

Emery M. E. church, corner North Highland and Bryant street, city; Walton M. E., Sarah and Twenty-fourth streets, city; California M. E., California avenue, Allegheny; Centre M. E. church of Lincoln, Pa.; Butler Street M. E. church, corner Bowman and Butler streets, city; Charles Street M. E. church, Allegheny; Centenary M. E. church, Penn avenue and Wilkins avenue, city; Federal M. E. church, Federal, Pa.; Fifth Avenue M. E., North Euclid avenue, city; Pitcairne M. E. church of Forrestville, Pa.; Wilcox M. E. church, corner Pacific avenue and Dearborn street, city; Ulma M. E. church, Allegheny, Pa.; Wilcox M. E. church of Wilcox, Pa.; Asbury M. E. church, Main and Water streets, Wilmerding; Penn M. E. church, South Main street, West End, city; German M. E. church, corner Ohio and Union avenue, Allegheny; Enon Valley M. E. church of Enon Valley, Pa.; Bingham M. E., South Thirteenth and Bingham streets, city; Homewood Avenue M. E. church, corner Homewood avenue and Tioga street, city; Lincoln Place M. E. church, Lincoln and Meadow streets, city; Ames M. E. church, Second and Lowrie streets, city; Swissvale M. E. church, Swissvale, Pa.; M. E. church of Dawson, Pa.; German M. E. church, McKeesport, Pa.; Park Avenue German M. E., corner Park avenue and Carver street, East End, city; Simpson M. E. church, Liberty street, near Highland, Allegheny; West End M. E. church, McKeesport, Pa.; First German M. E., corner Sixteenth street and Rowland avenue, city; Coal Center M. E. church of Coal Center, Pa.; Fifth Avenue M. E. church, corner Fifth avenue and Magee street, city; Fourth Avenue M. E. church of Homestead, Pa.; Georgetown M. E. church, Georgetown, Pa.; First M. E. church of Elizabeth, Pa.; Monaca M. E. church of Monaca, Pa.; Denny M. E. church, Thirty-fourth and Ligonier streets, city; M. E. church, Peora, Pa.; First M. E. church, Brownsville, Pa.; First St. E. church of Sheraden, Pa.; Washington Avenue M. E. church, Thirty-first ward, city; Mt. Washington M. E. church, Sycamore street, city; Glenwood M. E. church, Glenwood, Pa.; Second German M. E., corner Harpster street, city; Glendale M. E. church, Glendale, Pa.; M. E. church, No. 1016 South avenue, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; McCandless Avenue M. E. church, Eighteenth ward, city; North End M. E. church, Allegheny, Pa.; Perrysville Avenue M. E. church, Allegheny, Pa.; Evergreen M. E. church, Ross, Pa.; M. E. church of Vendia, Pa.; Lincoln Avenue M. E., corner Lexington avenue and Montana street, city; Herron Hill M. E., corner Anderson street and Herron avenue; Trinity M. E. church, Twenty-fifth and Smallman streets, city; M. E. Polish Mission, Jane street, South Side, city; Arnold M. E. church, Arnold, Pa.; Boston M. E. church, Boston, Pa.; Reels M. E. church of Reels, Pa.; First M. E. of Freedom, Pa.; First M. E. church of Coraopolis; Center Street M. E. church, McKeesport, Pa.; Friendship Park M. E. church, Liberty avenue, city; M. E. church, Enoch street, city; Oakland M. E. church, Forbes and Bouquet, city.

Roman Catholic.

St. Phillip's of Crafton, Pa.; St. Stanislaus, corner Twenty-first and Smallman streets, city; St. John's, Fourteenth street, city; St. Joseph's convent, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; Church of the Annunciation, Norwood avenue, Allegheny, Pa.; St. Elizabeth, 3709 Penn avenue, city; All Saints, West Elm, Pa.; Convent of Mercy, Webster avenue, city; Immaculate Conception convent, Irwin, Pa.; Orphan asylum, city; Sacred Heart convent, Jeannette, Pa.; St. Mary's, McKeesport, Pa.; St. Peter's, city; St. Kierans', Fifty-fourth street, city; Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Fifth avenue, city; Holy Name, Mount Washington Hill, Allegheny; St. Augustine's, Thirty-seventh street, city; St. Nicholas', East Ohio street, Allegheny; St. Anthony's church, Bennett Station, Pa.; St. Joseph's church, Locust and Fulton streets, Allegheny; Immaculate Heart, Preble street, city; St. Michael's church, Pius street, South Side, city; St. Joseph's church, Liberty avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.; St. John the Baptist's church, Penn avenue, city; St. Ambrose church, Haslage avenue, Allegheny, Pa.; St. Andrew's church, Beaver avenue, Allegheny, Pa.; St. Adalbert's church, South Fifteenth street, city; St. Brigid's, Wylie avenue, city; Help of Christians' church, Meadow street, East End, city; Catholic church, Linwood avenue Sheraden, Pa.; St. Patrick's church, Liberty avenue, city; St. Philomena, Liberty avenue, city; St. Columbine's convent, Broad street, Johnstown, Pa.; St. James' church, South Main street, West End, city; St. Benedict's, Overhill street, city; Sacred Heart church, Tarentum, Pa.; St. Richard's, Webster avenue, city; Sisters of Mercy, McKeesport, Pa.; St. Leonard's, Monessen, Pa.; Holy Name, Duquesne, Pa.; St. Casimir, Sarah street, South Side, city; St. Mary's, Thomson avenue, McKees Rocks, Pa.; Holy Cross, Carson street, city; Transfiguration, Estella street, city; Convent of Mercy, Forty-fifth street, city; St. Boniface, Royal street, Allegheny; Holy Trinity church, Crawford street and Center avenue, city; St. Peter's, Webster avenue and Tunnel street, city; St. Laurence, Dauphin street, Millvale, Pa.

Lutheran.

Lobinger Avenue church, Braddock, Pa.; Evangelical English, Oakmont, Pa.; English Lutheran, Hays Park, Pa.; Trinity, Penn street and South avenue, Verona, Pa.; Bethel, Washington avenue and Fulton street, Allegheny; German Lutheran, Duquesne Heights; Chartiers Adolphus, Lawrenceville, Pa.; Lutheran Trinity, Dorseyville, Pa.; First Evangelical, Braddock, Pa.; St. John's, Swissvale, Christ English, Charleroi, Pa.; St. John's, Sharpsburg, Pa.; Christ Evangelical, Monessen, Pa.; Evangelical, Baldwin township; St. Luke's, Millvale, Pa.; St. Thomas', Glenfield; German Lutheran, New Castle, Pa.; Christ's Lutheran, Sheridan avenue, East End, city; Mt. Zion English Lutheran, city; St. Mark's, North avenue and Middle streets, Allegheny, Pa.; Bethany, Highland avenue and Hillwood street, East End, city; Grace Evangelical, Sidney and Twenty-third streets, city; German Evangelical, Natrona; St. John's church, Natrona, Pa.; Gerroth Evangelical, Tarentum, Pa.; St. Paul's church, Tarentum, Pa.; Zion Evangelical, Coraopolis, Pa.; St. Paul's Evangelical, corner Adams and Chartiers streets, Allegheny, Pa.; Brushton Lutheran church, Brushton and Hamilton avenues, city; St. Paul's English, Monessen, Pa.; St. Luke's, Virgin avenue, Allegheny, Pa.; St. John's, Carnegie, Pa.; St. John's Evangelical, Carnegie, Pa.; Grace, Hamilton street, city; St. Paul's, Second avenue and Marston street, city; St. Peter's German Evangelical, Station street, East End, city; Hebron German Lutheran, Woods Run avenue, city; Third Zion Evangelical Lutheran, Park and Thirty-seventh streets, city; St. John's, Howley avenue, city; Second St. Paul's Evangelical, Pride and Ann streets, city; St. Paul's Evangelical, Glenfield, Pa.; First Evangelical Lutheran, Sharpsburg, Pa.; St. John's Evangelical, McKeesport, Pa.; German Lutheran, Beaver Falls, Pa.; St. John's, Chartiers avenue, McKees Rocks, Pa.; S. A. Lutheran, Braddock, Pa.; Christ Lutheran, Millvale, Pa.; St. Calvary Lutheran Mission, McKees Rocks; Trinity, Avalon, Pa.

Baptist.

Antioch Baptist, Thirty-seventh street, city; First Baptist, Duquesne, Pa.; First German Baptist, Thirty-ninth street, city; Wylie Avenue Baptist, Wylie avenue, city; Sandusky Street Baptist, Sandusky street, Allegheny; Elizabeth Baptist, Elizabeth, Pa.; Union Baptist, corner Nineteenth and Carson streets, South Side, city; Forty-sixth Street Baptist, Butler street, city; Welsh Baptist, Chatham street, city; First Baptist, Turtle Creek, Pa.; Hazelwood Baptist, Hazelwood avenue, city; German Baptist and Mission, corner Main and First streets, Allegheny; Clark Memorial Baptist, Homestead, Pa.; Emmanuel Baptist, Hanover street, Allegheny; Carson Street Baptist, Carson street, East End, city; Mt. Washington Baptist, Virginia avenue, Mt. Washington, city; First Baptist church, McKeesport, Pa.; Mt. Zion Baptist, Penn avenue, East Liberty, city; West Newton Baptist, West Newton, Pa.; Green Street Baptist, corner Scott and Robinson streets, Allegheny; Fifth Avenue Baptist, city; Hodman street Baptist, Armony hall, Frankstown avenue, city.

Christian.

First Christian, Arch street and Montgomery avenue, Allegheny, Pa.; Colfers Christian church, Colfers, W. Va.; Observatory Hill, Wilson avenue and Bunnin street, Allegheny, Pa.; Christian church, Pride and Colwell streets, city; Bristol street Christian, Bristol street, city; Christian, Shady avenue, Allegheny, Pa.; Knoxville Christian church; First Christian, South Avenue, Homestead; First, corner Iroquois and Raymond, Dravosburg, Pa.; First Christian church of Carnegie, Pa.; East End Christian, corner South Highland and Alder, East End, city.

Methodiset Protestant.

Knoxville Methodist Protestant, Knoxville, Pa.; Methodist Protestant of Idlewood, Pa.; Methodist Protestant of Fair Haven, Pa.; Methodist Protestant, Fifth Avenue and Marion street, city; First Methodist Protestant, Union avenue, Allegheny; Springdale Methodist Protestant; Methodist Protestant, Bellevue, Pa.; Methodist Protestant, Mt. Washington; Methodist Protestant church of Johnston, Pa.; Grigsby Methodist Protestant, Bidwell and Abdell streets, Allegheny; Deer Creek Methodist Protestant, Bakerstown, Pa.

Congregational.

Swedish Congregational, Forty-fifth street, city; First Congregational, New Castle, Pa.; Welsh Congregational, Sidney street, South Side, city; First Congregational, South Sharon, Pa.; Slovak Congregational, Woods Run, Allegheny, Pa.; Puritan Congregational, Carson street, South Side.

Reformed Presbyterian.

Central Reformed Presbyterian, Sandusky street, Allegheny; St. Mark's Reformed, North Highland avenue and Harvard street, city; Tarentum Reformed Presbyterian, Tarentum, Pa.; First Reformed Presbyterian, Euclid avenue and Baum street, city; Reformed Presbyterian church, Highland avenue and Harvard street, city; Reformed Presbyterian, South Bend, Pa.; Reformed Presbyterian, McKee Place, Allegheny; Reformed Presbyterian, Eighth street, city.

Episcopanl.

St. John's, Main and Butler streets, city; Trinity Mission, Penn street, Sharpsburg; St. Stephens, Second avenue, city; St. Mary's Ville avenue, Ranain, Pa.; St. Mary's, Charleroi, Pa.

Evangelical.

St. Paul's, First and East streets, Allegheny; Salem Evangelical Association, Carnegie avenue, city; Salem, Franklin street, near Manhattan, Allegheny; German Evangelical Protestant, Juniata street, Allegheny; St. Mark's, Ninth avenue, Homestead; German United, Mill street, city; Emanuel, Madison avenue and Third street, Allegheny; Emanuel, Madison avenue and Third street, Allegheny; Emanuel, West End, city; Evangelical Protestant, Ohio and Church street, Allegheny; First German, Prospect street, city; United Evangelical, Greensburg, Pa.; First, North avenue, Millvale, Pa.

Primitive Methodist.

First Primitive Methodist, Holmes street, city; Third Primitive Methodist, Homestead street, city; First Primitive Methodist, Holmes street, city.

Cumberland Presbyterian.

Cumberland Presbyterian, Donora, Pa.; Cumberland Presbyterian, Penn and Brushton avenues, East End, city; Olivet, First Cumberland, corner Shady and Aurelia street, East End, city; Cumberland Presbyterian, corner Vassar and Grotto, city.

Union.

Bryn Mawr, McKeesport, Pa.; Union, Charleroi, Pa.; Welsh Union, Connellsville, Pa.; German Beneficial Union, Brereton avenue, city.

A. M. E.

African Methodist Episcopal, Elizabeth, Pa.; colored Sunday school, Homewood, Pa.; A. M. E. Zion, Sewickley, Pa.

Protestant Episcopal.

St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal, Georgetown, Pa.; St. Paul Protestant Episcopal, Center avenue and Watt street, city; St. Mathew's Protestant Episcopal, Ninth avenue and McClure street, West Homestead, Pa.

Miscellaneous.

St. Paul's mission, Arlington avenue, city; Zion of the Evangelical association, Sixth avenue, city; Free Methodist, Oliverlle, Beaver county; Free Methodist, Hays Park, Munhall; Pentecostal, Lincoln Place, Pa.; Springdale Sunday school, Springdale, Pa.; Woods Run Industrial Home, Allegheny; Trinity Reformed Sunday school, Connellsville, Pa.; First Pentecostal church, Mt. Washington, Pa.; Church of the Good Shepherd, Hazelwood, Pa.; Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ, city; Y. W. C. A., Collins avenue, East End, city; Volunteers of America, Federal street, Allegheny; Volunteers of America, Frankstown avenue, East End; Volunteers of America, McKeesport, Pa.; Wildwood tabernacle, Oakgrove mission, Oakgrove, Pa.; mission, Pennsylvania avenue, Allegheny; Grace Reformed Jeannette, Pa.; Children's Home, Greensburg, Pa.; Avery mission, corner Avery and Nelson streets, Allegheny; Friedenskirche, Arlington avenue and Industry street, city; Disciples of Christ, South and Wood street, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; Reformed church of Grove City, Pa.; Bellewood Sunday school, Bellewood, Pa.; Second Avenue mission, city; Homestead Turner's society, Ann street, Homestead; First Baden, 5761 Liberty avenue, city; the Rev. Joseph Dopel, Washington avenue, Charleroi, Pa.; Mr. J. J. Gilbert, Lickingville, Pa.; Grace Reformed, Dithridge and Bayard streets, East End, city; Homestead Union Sunday school of Homestead, Pa.; Sunday school of Bakerstown, Pa.; Mrs. S. S. Stroul, New Alexandria, Pa.; Lois E. Boyd, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.; First Brethren church, Fiftieth and Dearborn, city; Sangverein Vorwarts, 5107 Hatfield street, city; Dr. R. R. Walker, Westmoreland, Pa.; New Jerusalem church, Sandusky and Isabella streets, Allegheny, Pa.; Holiness mission, Shaler township; Anna S. Crowl place, Pa.; P. P. Poulterton, 5301 Camelia street, city; Karl Snyder, Brinton avenue, North Braddock; German Beneficial mission, Brenton avenue, city; Independent mission, Glenshaw, Pa.; Pine Creek Union mission, Etna, O.; Mrs. Thomas Mc-Millan, Sidney street Sunday school, city; St. Mary Memorial at McKee place, near Bates street, city; Mr. Frank D. Six, Wilmerding, Pa.; Soho gospel mission, 204 Forbes street, city; the Rev. W. Rectenmer, Mingo Junction, O.; R. W. Walker, Clairton, Pa.; Church of God, College avenue and Spahr street, city; Reformed church of Ascension, Turnir avenue, Allegheny; St. John the Baptist mission, Carson street, city; Beaver Springs Sunday school; St. James Memorial, Kelly and Linden, city; Salvation Army, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Stevenson Sunday school, Love avenue, city.

Public Schools.

Concord school, city; Crafton school, Mt. Lebanon school, Munhall school, Unity Hillside, Westwood school, Third ward kindergarten, Allegheny; Springfield school, Escreola kindergarten, Escreola street, East End, city; Lemington school, Lemington avenue, East End, city; Garfield school, Atlantic avenue, East End, city.

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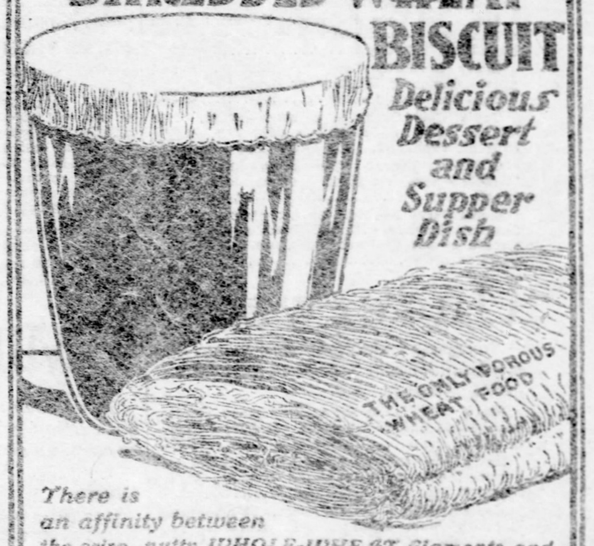

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Gentlemen looking for bachelor apartments are invited to call and inspect; billiard tables, shower bath, best service, home cooking; established chef. Bell 872-2 Park; P. & A. 284 Park.

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EMERSON ST., 242—Nicely furnished large front room; every convenience; near car lines.

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NEVILLE ST., 500, corner Bayard—Large, well-furnished room; every convenience; best of board; refined surroundings; Bell 'phone.

NORTH EUCLID AVE., 416, S. E.—To let, furnished room for light housekeeping.

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PRINCETON PLACE, 849, two or three connecting rooms, unfurnished; all modern conveniences.

SHADY AVE., 271, nicely furnished rooms; every convenience.

SHADY AVE., 286—For rent, large furnished front room.

SHADY AVE., 710—Furnished alcove front room for gentleman; private family; all conveniences.

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SOUTH ST. CLAIR ST., 210—Large second floor, front; gentlemen only. Call 8 p. m.

SOUTH NEGLEY AVE., 927, E. E.—Elegantly furnished rooms; first-class board; every convenience.

ST. CLAIR ST., 311 E., S. E.—Large, comfortable room, suitable for one or two persons.

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STRATTON LANE, 2, between Emerson and South Highland—Furnished rooms, $2; board if desired.

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Allegheny.

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ARCH ST., 1215—Furnished front room with alcove; all conveniences. Charles st. car.

ARCH ST., 605—Nicely furnished rooms, every convenience; splendid location.

ARCH ST., 505—Nicely furnished front room; every convenience; splendid location.

ARCH ST., 1503—Second-story front room, bath, hall, gas.

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CABINET ST., 1011—Three connecting furnished rooms; all conveniences; also furnished parlor.

CALIFORNIA AVE., 345, nicely furnished rooms; all conveniences; $10 and $8 month.

CALIFORNIA AVE., 573—Two large connecting unfurnished rooms; both gases, bath, laundry; also furnished housekeeping room.

CALIFORNIA AVE., 587—Furnished rooms, two connecting; all conveniences. Avalon car.

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CHURCH AVE., 117—Nicely furnished rooms, every convenience; 5 minutes' walk to city.

CHURCH AVE., 119—Nicely furnished front room, every convenience.

CLIFTON PARK, 75—One large well furnished room; all conveniences.

EAST OHIO ST., 1120—Large furnished front rooms and kitchen; light housekeeping; gases bath; private family; also front room for gentlemen.

E. NORTH AVE., 10—Elegantly furnished rooms; all conveniences; near Federal st.

E. MONTGOMERY, 209, furnished front room facing park; housekeeping if desired.

ESPLANADE ST., 1311, newly large furnished room, both gases, bath, etc.; near North ave.

FAYETTE ST., 1207, three nicely furnished rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences.

FEDERAL ST., 822, very desirable furnished room, all conveniences; $5 week (fourth floor.)

FEDERAL ST., 826—Newly furnished room, second floor, bath, gases, steam heat.

FEDERAL ST., 1202—Two connecting rooms; all conveniences; two gentlemen or couple.

FEDERAL ST., 1203—Two connecting rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences; two gentlemen or couple.

FEDERAL ST., 1532—Furnished rooms with board, all conveniences; opposite Federal car.

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NORTH DIAMOND, 111 West—Nicely furnished rooms for housekeeping.

NORTH AVE., 807 W. (Cor. Grant.)—Two connecting furnished rooms; gases; bath; three or four gentlemen.

NORTH AVE., WEST, 406, nicely furnished room; every convenience; splendid location.

NORTH WEST, 302—Nicely furnished room, private family.

OBSERVATORY AVE., 300—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience; splendid location; gentlemen.

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PALO ALTO, 1205—Two furnished rooms for housekeeping, conveniences; 5 minutes' Fort Wayne depot.

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PARK WAY, 16—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping; all conveniences.

PERRYSVILLE AVE., 2421—Elegantly furnished rooms, all conveniences, for two or four men.

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RACE ST., 7418, three unfurnished rooms; modern; conveniences; also furnished room; gentlemen.

RACE ST., 1208—Neatly furnished second-story room; all conveniences; near North.

REBECCA AVE., 837, Wilkinsburg—Two nicely furnished well-located rooms; conveniences; near boarding.

REBECCA ST., 1000—Newly furnished front room, with or without board.

RESACA ST., 1223—Neatly furnished rooms with board; all conveniences; $5 00 week.

RIDGE AVE., 1000—Furnished or unfurnished room with excellent table board; 15 minutes' walk, to city; four different car lines; splendid location; references exchanged.

RIDGE AVE., 1135, Allegheny—2 or 3 choice rooms, furnished, suitable for light housekeeping or meals if desired.

RIDGE AVE., 817—Furnished rooms, $1.00 up; convenient to cars.

SAMPSON ST., 111—Desirable furnished front room; bath; gases; etc. Charles st. car.

SANDUSKY ST., 912—Near Montgomery; hall room, gases; bath privilege; $1.50 week.

TAGGART ST., 97—Furnished room, gas, etc.; Charles st. car; $3.00 week.

THE BOWMONT—Family and commercial hotel; short walk from center of Allegheny or Pittsburgh; one left, with private bath, $25 per month; three unfurnished rooms, $20 per month, with light and heat; single rooms, 50c per day; take West View cars; stop at Cedar, corner North ave., Allegheny.

UNION AVE., 709—Nicely furnished front room, facing park; also smaller room; every convenience.

UNION AVE., 605—Elegantly furnished second-floor rooms; communicating room if desired.

WASHINGTON AVE., 844—Furnished front room; all conveniences; private family.

WASHINGTON ST., 610—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience.

WASHINGTON AVE., 648—Two nice rooms, furnished or unfurnished, for light housekeeping, second floor.

WASHINGTON AVE., 914—Two furnished rooms, bath, laundry, both gases; on car line.

WASHINGTON ST., 526—Large newly furnished front room; also back room; gases, bath, hot water.

WASHINGTON ST., 624, near Cedar—Furnished rooms; bath, gases, hot water, etc.

WEST BRIGHTON ST., 1—Nicely furnished rooms, all conveniences; near Federal.

W. NORTH AVE., 911—Two furnished rooms, all conveniences; near Grant ave.

WEST PARK WAY, 15—Furnished room for light housekeeping.

WEST OHIO ST., 121—Furnished rooms, suitable for gentlemen; conveniences; near postoffice.

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WANTED—An unfurnished room in private house in Allegheny by an elderly man, for himself; can give good reference. Give location and price. Address R 84, The Gazette.

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Allegheny.

CABINET ST., 1005—Two unfurnished rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences.

CHARLES ST., 81—Four unfurnished rooms, two half rooms, gas and water; $13 month.

PERRYSVILLE AVE., 2501—Two connecting unfurnished rooms, first floor, bath, gases, hot water; $16.

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City and Suburban.

CAROLINA ST., 354, two furnished rooms, with board; conveniences preferred.

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DINWIDDIE ST., 228—Nicely furnished rooms with board; every convenience; splendid location.

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All persons out of work are invited to apply at once to The Gazette's Free Bureau of Employment.

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SHADY AVE., 246—One room, second floor; board; near cars and station.

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Send card for list of houses and apartments for rent and map of East End, free.
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TO LET—In one of the best locations in East End, large store room, with two four-room flats. Will rent separate or as a whole. See THE BEECHWOOD IMPT. CO., LTD., 307 Times Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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HOUSE—For rent, 3 rooms, Hooksen. Call office Jones' Magic Roach Powder, 20 E. Lacock st., Allegheny.

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APARTMENTS.
California ave. district, Allegheny; in new modern apartment house, consisting of 3 rooms and bath on each, hot and cold water, range, both gases, etc.; ready January, 1904; rent $20.
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FOR RENT—Good Diamond st. lot, 42x180 feet. Will rent cheap at present rental, if tenant will remodel present old building or erect new building.
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FOR RENT—In Penn building, No. 708 Penn ave., fine store room, 25x100 with second-story rooms. Will rent together or separately. Rent low; electric light and heat free.
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FOR RENT—At Smithfield st. and Seventh ave., large corner store, suitable for dress goods, gents' furnishings or any other retail business. High ceilings, steam heat. Reasonable rent.
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Shadyside, nice frame house of 5 rooms and bath; good lot; only $3,800.

Shadyside, near Ellsworth ave., frame house of 8 rooms, bath, etc., $3,200.

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Shadyside, brick house of 8 rooms, bath, etc.; nice lot; only $4,000.
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HIGH-GRADE STOCKS LED THE HOLIDAY MARKET

Prices Held Strong During the Greater Part of the Day, but Reacted at the Close—Westinghouse Electric the Local Feature.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The eastern stock market yesterday fulfilled general expectations as to its general character, being dull, but steady to strong most of the session. At the close there was the usual selling to even up contracts over the long holiday, and the net changes for the day were not specially significant. Foreign markets were disturbed over the supposed critical situation between Russia and Japan, and London sent lower quotations and selling orders for American securities. English consols, however, were comparatively steady, and Japanese securities in that market were fractionally higher, which conflicted with the rather alarming war rumors which were in circulation at one time.

The high-grade investment securities continued to lead the advance, and sharp gains were scored by Delaware & Hudson, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, Chicago & Northwestern, and railroad shares of that class. The November report of Jersey Central, showing a decrease in net earnings of $352,000 and a decrease in surplus of $169,000, had no effect upon the price of the stock, which remained unchanged at 163¾. Among the specialties General Electric was active and higher, advancing from 168 to 173, but reacting to 171 at the close. Westinghouse Electric was also again active in the New York market, advancing to the equivalent of 88¾ a share, which is 35 a share over the subscription price at which $1,500,000 new stock was sold during the summer. There was a revival of rumors of a deal between these two companies, but there was nothing more definite than the movement in the stocks to support the rumors. New York Airbrake was another strong stock, advancing from 127 to 134½.

In the low-priced industrials the greatest advance was in United States Realty and Construction. The common stock opened at 4¾ and advanced to 6¼, while the preferred opened at 37 and advanced to 41¾. There was no news to account for the strength, which was ascribed mainly to short-covering. Amalgamated Copper advanced to 40¾ in the early dealings, but later reacted to 48¾. United States Steel preferred opened fractionally higher at 55⅜, advanced to 55⅝, declined to 55¾, and for the remainder of the day fluctuated between 55¼ to 55½, closing at 55¼ bid. The new bonds sold off from 70¾ to 69¾. Tennessee Coal and Iron was more active than for several days past, and after advancing 1½ per cent to 87½, reacted to 86¾ at the close.

Baltimore & Ohio was not affected by the terrible wreck on its road, the stock fluctuating between 78½ and 78¾ all day. Equally narrow fluctuations were witnessed in Pennsylvania and New York Central. The grainger issues were dull but firm.

The ease of the money market on the eve of a long holiday, and within only a week of the end of the year, was a matter of comment. The rate for call loans ranged between 3½ and 4 per cent. Sterling exchange was lower, but it is considered doubtful whether any additional imports of gold will be made, in view of the easier tendency which is likely to prevail in domestic money markets after the close of the year. The preliminary estimates of the movements of currency during the week indicate a gain for the banks approximating $4,000,000, and tomorrow's bank statement is therefore expected to make another favorable showing.

Out of 2,695 shares handled on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday, 1,347 shares consisted of Westinghouse Electric. Nearly all the business of the session was transacted during the first two hours. In the afternoon the attention of the traders was taken up with original ideas in household decorations and the usual pranks which characterize the holiday season on 'change. Westinghouse Electric opened higher at 83 and quickly advanced to 84⅝, the market here closely following New York's lead. Just before the close there was a reaction to 84, the final sale, which left a net gain of $2 50 a share for the day. There were no new developments in connection with the affairs of the Pittsburg Coal Company, and less than 300 shares of the preferred changed hands at prices ranging from 59 to 59½, the close being at 59½. Manufacturers Light and Heat was firmer, selling at 30. Crucible Steel preferred closed a fraction higher at 28⅝, and United States Steel preferred closed higher at 55½. Philadelphia Company sold at 39, an advance of ¾. National Fire Proofing and Brewing stocks were dull and unchanged.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

The sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday foot up 2,695 shares, as follows:

10 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

20	Electric 2ds	83	
20	do	83½	
10	do	83½	
25	do	84	
50	do	84½	
50	do	84½	
50	do	84⅝	
60	do	84½	

10:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

150	River Coal	9	
50	Electric 2ds	84	
50	do	84	
10	do	84	
2	do	83½	
25	do	84½	
10	do	83½	
85	do	83⅜	
10	do	83⅜	
15	do	83⅜	
100	do	84	
100	do	84	
100	Electric 2ds	84	
50	do	84	
50	do	84⅜	
10	do	84	
50	Pgh. Coal pfd	59½	
50	do	59½	
50	do	59½	
60	do	59½	
40	Fire Proof pf	22¾	

12:30 P. M. to 2 P. M.

25	Phila. Co	39	
25	Electric 2ds	84	
100	do	84½	
9	Pgh. Coal pfd	59½	
50	Pgh. Coal pfd	59½	
75	do	59⅝	
10	U. S. Steel	10⅝	
50	Electric 2ds	84¼	
50	do	84¼	
100	do	84	
100	do	84	

2 P. M. to 3 P. M.

45	Crucible pfd	28¾	
45	do	28¾	
20	do	28¾	
100	Pgh. Coal pfd	59½	
100	Mfrs. L. & H.	30	
10	U. S. Steel	10⅝	
50	Electric 2ds	84¼	
100	do	84¼	
100	do	84	
3	U. S. Steel pf	56	
100	do	55½	
75	do	55¾	

Summary.

	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'gs
Shares.				
501 Brewing com	*25½	24¾	24¾	0
110 Crucible Steel pfd	28¾	28¾	28¾	+¼
10 Fire Proofing	6¾	6¾	6¾	−¼
40 Do pfd	22¾	22¾	22¾	0
195 Mfrs. L. & H.	30	29¾	30	+⅛
60 Phila. Co. com	39	38½	39	+½
279 Pgh. Coal pfd	59½	59	59½	0
150 River Coal com	9	9	9	+⅛
10 U. S. Steel	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝	+⅛
2695 Do pfd	*55¾	55⅜	55½	+½
1347 West. Elec. 2ds	84⅜	83	84	+2½
2695				

*Less than 10 shares.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.	Par.	Bid.	Ask.
Manufacturers Light & Heat	50	29¾	....
Ohio Fuel Supply	25	37	....
Peoples Pipeage	25	18½	....
Luster Mining	10	....	10
Westinghouse Elec. 1st pfd	50	....	85
Do 2d pfd	50	....	84½
Crucible Steel	100	4	4½
Do preferred	100	28¾	29

STOCKS.	Par.	Bid.	Ask.
Monongahela River Coal	50	8¾	....
Do preferred	50	....	29
Maraden	100	3	....
National Fireproofing	50	6¾	7
Do preferred	50	22½	22¾
Philadelphia Co	50	39¼	....
Pittsburg Brewing	50	24¾	25
Do preferred	50	45	....
Pittsburgh Coal pfd	100	59½	60½
United States Steel	100	....	10⅝
Do preferred	100	55¼	55⅝
Westinghouse Airbrake	50	129	....

BONDS.	Par.	Bid.	Ask.
B., P. & T. Traction 6s	....	113¼	....
Consolidated Gas 5s	....	108½	108¾
Philadelphia Co. 5s	....	109	110
Pittsburgh Brewing 6s	....	113	....
June. R. R. 1st mtge. 6s	....	101	....
Do 2d mtge. 5s	....	102	....

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Westinghouse Electric led the advance both in Wall street and Pittsburgh yesterday. In the former market the price touched the equivalent of $85 a share. The opinion has been expressed that any advance over $80, the subscription price at which the new stock was marketed during the summer, would uncover some large selling orders, but this does not seem to have been the case yesterday. Just about the time that the final installment was due on the subscriptions the markets became very weak and Electric declined with everything else. When it got below the subscription price it was thought that there was considerable buying for the purpose of support, and that these supporters would take profits at the first opportunity. Pittsburgh was a moderate seller yesterday and the sale before, but some interest in the east appears willing to take all offerings. The largest buying yesterday was by such New York commission houses as Lidenburg, Thalmann & Co., Donohue & Co., Dominick and Halle & Steiglitz. General Electric was also strong, advancing 5 per cent.

The 4 per cent Christmas dividend declared by the First National bank of Pittsburgh will make 20 per cent for the year, and after the payment of this amount the bank will have 14 per cent to add to surplus and undivided profits.

The weekly statement of the Bank of England yesterday showed an increase in loans of more than $19,000,000, and a decrease in reserve of $14,000,000. The percentage of reserve to liability declined to 36.00 per cent.

The sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange for the four business days of the week amounted to 5,886 shares stock and 58,000 bonds. Nearly 60,000 shares consisted of Westinghouse Electric, which closed at a net gain of $6 a share for the week.

Rules were suspended on the Pittsburgh stock exchange during the afternoon and three hours were given up to funmaking. Miles of ticker-tape were utilized in festooning the board room, and the gallery was gaily decorated with various "stunts," in which Humphries Miller, E. Fink, Arthur Davis, H. A. Marlin, C. F. Walker, N. B. Evans and others took prominent parts. A purse of $250 was distributed among the employes of the exchange.

The directors of the First National bank of Finleyville, Pa., yesterday declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent, payable January 2, 1904.

United States Steel preferred, National Fire Proofing preferred, Pittsburgh Brewing common and Brewing bonds were the only securities which closed lower than last week. Westinghouse Electric, Pittsburgh Coal preferred and Crucible Steel preferred were leaders in the advance.

It is reported that the earnings of Manufacturers Light & Heat are running about $10,000 a day larger than for the corresponding season last year. Quite an item in its revenue comes from the sale of oil.

The gross earnings of Northwestern for November increased $847,000.

Wabash reports an increase of $20,000 in gross earnings for the third week in December.

American Woolen directors have declared a regular quarterly dividend on the preferred stock of 1¾ per cent, payable to stock of record January 1.

The Monongahela Water Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, payable January 11, to stock of record January 1.

A seat on the New York stock exchange sold yesterday at $67,500, an advance of $7,500.

About $8,000,000 currency was shipped from Chicago to New York yesterday.

Cotton sold in New York at the highest price in December since the civil war, and the price reached by wheat was the highest for several years past. The rise in the latter was based upon war news.

Call money rates were easy in the face of the requirements to carry over until next Monday and only the indications point to a decided improvement in the condition to be shown by the banks in Saturday's bank statement by the time trading is resumed in stocks next Monday. The movement of currency from the interior and the subtreasury operations are estimated to have yielded upward of $3,000,000 of additional reserves to the banks already since that ending. The indications point to a decided improvement in the condition to be shown by the banks in Saturday's bank statement by the time trading is resumed in stocks next Monday. The movement of currency from the interior and the subtreasury operations are estimated to have yielded upward of $3,000,000 of additional reserves to the banks already since that ending, in spite of the heavy transfers to New Orleans which have run up to $2,750,000 since the last bank statement.

Here is a Wall street story with a Christmas flavor: "A famous old bottle of wine passed away in one of Sherry's private dining rooms last night. For years this particular bottle of wine has been looked upon as a Wall street curiosity. In the early '70s Woerishofer, who had his quarters near the stock exchange, he had in his wine cellar two famous bottles of Blue Seal Johannisbergers. The late Charlie Woerishofer was permitted to drink one of the bottles after he had made a particularly successful raid on the stock market. The other one, with its price, $25, marked on the wine card, remained in the cellar. 'I'll have that bottle and what's more, I'll make the market pay for it like Woerishofer did his,' boldly declared a large operator, when he heard the story. Without this purchase of 100 shares of Copper on this account,' he said. Copper immediately started to decline and the 100 shares were finally sold at a loss of $7,000. The fame of the bottle began to spread, and one after another the traders tried to win it according to the rules of the game that had been established. Each trader who tried to win the bottle lost, the margin of loss being spread, and it began to be looked upon as a hoodoo. 'This thing must be stopped,' said Looram a year ago. He called several brokers around him as witness. He purchased 100 shares of Steel preferred short at 92. At least the charm seemed to be broken. Down started Steel and down it went. The Steel preferred, at 75, closed 17 points down. The bottle was broken last night. Traders say exactly $21,775 had been lost in trying to win it."

NEWS FROM THE MINES.

Thirty miles southwest of Tonopah is a district known as the New Gold Field, which eastern capital is now developing, with values in sight that have created a furore of excitement among prospectors. Upon the combination grows a shaft, sunk to the depth of 60 feet, from which a carload of ore, which gave returns of the white metal at the rate of 427 ounces to the ton.

W. J. Bowring & Co. of Salt Lake have acquired for $125,000 a lease and bond on the properties of the Copper Mountain Mining Company, the holdings of which are in Beaver county, Utah, 30 miles distant from Frisco and in the great mineral zone of the Cactus, Bine Acre, O. K., Old Hickory, Wild Dill and other camps whose history is familiar to all.

The annual report of Stratton's Independence Mine of Colorado for the year ended June 30, 1903, shows: Gross value of ore, $1,761,879; net cash returns, $1,049,856; total expenses, $500,023; net profit, $292,554; royalties and rents, $38,734; total profits, $293,028.

The second annual report of N. H. Partridge, treasurer of the Leadville Gold Mining and Milling Company, addressed to stockholders under recent date, shows that the treasury contains $19,051.74 in cash and cash assets and 285,000 shares of stock. In an accompanying report, by W. W. Stuart, general manager, it is stated that the royalties received from lessees aggregated $2,639 63, or $4.70 on each ton shipped, an improvement, as compared with the preceding year of $1 per ton.

Superintendent Lake of the Black Diamond Copper Company, in speaking of the development and progress at the Black Diamond property, in Lawrence county, Arizona, expressed himself as highly pleased with results. The big smelter is treating more than 150 tons daily while the matte product carries 66 per cent copper and values of $17 per ton in gold, 6 to 300 ounces, besides the gold values. About 15 cars of copper matte already have been shipped to the New York Metal Company, which is handling the product. The Black Diamond and regular shipments of 50 tons of matte weekly are made east. Oil is now being used as fuel for all of the machinery of the company, and the innovation has proved both economical and satisfactory.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Tin was very firm in London, advancing £1 15s to £150 for spot and £151 5s for futures. Locally tin was also firmer, with spot quoted at $28.50@29 00. Copper advanced 5s 6d to 57 for spot and 45s 12s 6d for futures in London, but remained unchanged and quiet here at $13 37½@12 62½ for lake, $12 25@12 50 for electrolytic and at $12 12½@12 37½ for casting. Lead was unchanged in London at 13s 9d for spot and 13s 10s for futures. Iron closed at 49s 6d in Glasgow and at 42s 10½d in Middlesboro. Locally iron was quiet, No. 1 foundry northern at $14 00@15 00, No. 2 foundry northern at $14 00@15 00, No. 1 foundry southern and No. 1 foundry southern soft at $13 50@14 00. The New York metal exchange will remain closed from this afternoon until Monday.

PITTSBURGH INDUSTRIAL EXCHANGE.

Sales: 14 shares Marconi Wireless (full shares) at $45; 150 shares Decatur Copper at 50c. Closing quotations:

	Bid.	Ask.
U. S. Packing	.07	1.00
Aurora Cons. Mines	.14	.20
Black Diamond Copper	2.00	2.75
Cons. Mercur (Utah)	.80	.95
Decatur Copper	.45	.50
Hidden Fortune G. M. Co.	.26	.28
Pittsburg and Montana	32.00	44.00
Sunbeam M. M. & M.	.40	.50
Tidal Wave, Inc.	5.00	6.50
Twentieth Century (Ont.)	7.25	8.50
Vinegar G. M. Co.	.11	.15
Dabney Oil Co.	.35	.48

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by A. E. Masten & Co.)

Stocks.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close Bids.
Allouez	4½	4¾	4½	4¾
Amalgamated	40¾	48¾	40¾	48¾
Atlantic	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾
Bingham	....	....	....	32½
Calumet & Arizona	*85	....	....	85
Calumet & Hecla	....	....	....	475
Calumet & Cochise	....	....	....	47
Centennial	15	15	15	14¾
Calumet & Pgh. new	....	....	....	*80
Calumet & F. D.	....	....	....	*80
Mohawk	57¾	57¾	57¾	56¾
Old Dominion	8¾	8¾	8¾	10
Pgh. & Duluth	120	*74	....	80
Range Consolidated	46¾	47¼	46¾	30¾
Tamarack	90	94	90	85
Utah	30¾	30¾	30	30
U. S. Mining	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾
Wolverine	69	69	69	68
Winona	7	7	7	6¾

*Asked. †Bid.

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Con.	.25	Kirde Chief	.05
Alice	.15	Mexican Con.	.69
Breese	.02	Ophir	1.05
Brunswick Con.	.04	Phoenix	.11
Comstock Tun.	.05	Potosi	.18
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.50	Savage	.06
*Horn Silver	1.05	Sierra Nevada	.42
Iron Silver	1.55	Small Hopes	.15
Leadville Con.	.02	Standard	1.00

*Ex-dividend. †Offered.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Money on call steady, 2@3½ per cent, closing bid and offered at 4 per cent. Time loans easy, 3 per cent for all dates. Prime mercantile paper, 5@6½ per cent; sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 80.10@4 81 for demand and at $4 83.05@4 84 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4 81@4 82 and $4 83@4 83½. Commercial bills, $4 80¾. Silver, 65⅝; Mexican dollars, 45c; government bonds steady; railroad bonds firm.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Cotton futures closed irregular: December, 13.35c; January, 13.47c; February, 13.44c; March, 13.50c; April, 13.61c; May, 13.70c; June, 13.76c; July, 13.72c. Cotton, quiet, 13.30c. Spot closed quiet, 10 points higher; middling uplands, 13.70c; middling gulf, 13.95c; sales, 1,500 bales.

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges were $7,853,317, an increase of $1,290,000 over same day last week.

Stock market continued dull, but the undertone was firm.

Westinghouse Electric led the list, with an advance to 84¾.

Crucible Steel preferred advanced to 28¾ and United States Steel preferred to 55⅛.

Light and Heat and Philadelphia Company were firm and higher.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales 971,600 shares.

Gains were made during the session by stocks that had not moved for weeks.

Bonds were firm, but rather inactive. Total sales (par value) being $2,015,000.

Steel preferred on sales of 159,000 shares closed at 55½, low for the day.

Tennessee Coal and Iron was active, sales being 19,675 shares. Close, 86¾; high, was 87½.

Sugar was very active and fairly strong, high on sales of 26,970 shares being 127½.

STRONG UNDERCURRENT IN THE STOCK MARKET

Christmas Eve Speculation Was, However, Limited to Group of Specialties.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The Herald this (Thursday) morning says: Although somewhat irregular the stock market showed an undercurrent of strength yesterday. The movement of the day was, however, not impressive. A limited group of specialties, some of them high grade stocks which are closely held, and in other specialties a purchase of which no sane man would entertain, were taken and whirled up, while the general list of standard stocks were either stationary or showed fractional declines.

Properly considered the operations of the day were little more than diverting movements and little else was to be expected in view of the triple holiday.

The news of the day was in several respects favorable thus the far eastern situation, if current Wall street advices are to be relied upon, took a better and the money market was decidedly so. Offsetting this in part, however, was the active upturn of staple commodity markets. Cotton, wheat and corn all advanced, and such movements at the present time indicate heavy export shipments, but the tendency seemed otherwise. The forecasts of the Bureau of Statistics, Washington, indicating a further substantial increase of cash holdings. About the only unfavorable tendency in money is the heavy currency transfers to the south.

SALES FOR THE WEEK

The sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange for the four days ended December 24, 1903, were as follows:

	High.	Low.	Last	Chgs.
100 American Ice	*25½	24¾	24¾	−¾
1241 Brewing	6¾	6¾	6¾	0
125 Com.	4¼	4	4	0
210 Crucible Steel	4¼	4	4	0
315 do pfd	28¾	27¾	28¾	+1¾
10 Fireproofing	6¾	6¾	6¾	−¼
415 Do pfd	*22¾	22¾	22¾	−¼
884 Mfrs. L. & H.	30	29¾	30	+⅛
35 Maraden	⅞	⅞	⅞	0
25 Ohio Fuel Supply	37	37	37	0
50 Phila. Co.	39	38½	39	+½
205 Pgh. Coal	17¾	17¼	17¾	+¼
1281 Do pfd	59½	58	59½	+1¼
100 River Coal	9	9	9	+⅛
150 U. S. Steel	10⅝	10⅜	10⅝	+⅛
603 Do pfd	*56	54	55¼	+½
2045 West. El. 2ds	84¾	73½	84	+6
8888				

BONDS.				
$8,000 Brewing 6s	113¾	113	113	−¾

*Less than 10 shares.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market remains steady and unchanged at 6 per cent on call and time loans. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Yesterday	$7,853,317 49	$1,290,000 00
Last week	6,962,324 49	785,619 12

Foreign Money Market.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Money 2@3½ per cent; the rate of discount for short bills is 3⅝ per cent; three months' bills, 3⅝ per cent; consols for money, 88; consols for account, 88⅛. Money was the increased holiday demand on the market today and the supplies exceeded the requirements, the banks lending freely. Trading on the stock exchange was inactive.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Prices on the Bourse today opened strong and steady, but later stocks became heavy on the reports that Japan is bullyragged to make concessions to Russia. Later there was an improvement and the market closed firm. The private rate of discount was 2 15-16 per cent.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Exchange on London 20 marks 47½ pfgrs. for checks, 20 marks 47½ pfgrs. for short bills, 3 per cent; three months' bills, 3½ per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

The Iron City Trust Company quotes as follows: Sterling, 484.50; France, 519.50; marks, 119.50; kroner (Austria), 99.25; Dutch florins, 40.50; Italian lira (paper), 103.25; notas, 81.25; pesetas (Spain), 15.50; kroner (Scandanavia), Hongkong (dollars local currency), 42½; Manila (dollars local currency), 49.

COMPLETE RECORD NEW YORK STOCKS

Daily range of prices, reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings Bank building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade:

ACTIVE LIST.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
12370	Atchison	91⅞	93⅝	91⅝	93⅛
1750	Do preferred	95⅝	96¼	95⅝	96¼
20670	Am. Sugar Ref	125⅝	127	125⅝	127
1800	Do preferred	124	124	124	124
4205	Am. Locomotive	38⅝	39¾	38⅝	39¾
1200	Do preferred	93⅛	93⅛	93⅛	93⅛
3200	Am. Car & Foundry	29⅝	29⅝	29⅛	29⅝
200	Do preferred	98	98	98	98
	Amer. Can				
	Do preferred				
52785	Amal. Copper	48⅝	49¾	48⅝	49¾
2700	Am. Sm. & Ref	77⅝	78⅝	77⅝	78⅝
	Do preferred	91⅝	91⅝	91⅝	91⅝
	Am. Tel. & Cable	91	91	91	91
8510	B. & O	78⅝	79⅛	78⅛	78⅝
28140	B. R. Transit	51⅝	52⅝	51⅝	52⅝
800	Can. Pacific	149½	150	149½	150
100	Chi. & G. W	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝
2403	Con. Gas	200	200½	198	198
800	C. & O	47	47⅝	47	47⅝
300	Chi. & Alton pf	71⅝	71⅝	71	71
2019	Chi. & Nor	168	169½	168	169½
900	Col. F. & I	27⅜	28	27⅜	28
	Corn Products	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝
	Do preferred	84	84	84	84
100	Del. Lack. & W	253	253	253	253
100	Do 1st pfd	281	281	281	281
100	Do 2d pfd	263	263	263	263
2400	Den. & Rio Grande	29⅝	30	29⅝	30
2950	Del. & Hudson	171	171	170	170
8050	Erie	29⅝	29⅝	29⅛	29⅝
1725	Do 1st pfd	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝
1940	Do 2d pfd	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
2216	Gen. Electric	168	173	167½	171
	Hock. Val. pfd	84½	84½	84½	84½
1900	Ill. Central	135	135	134½	134½
1000	Iowa Central	20	20	20	20
4000	Manhattan	134	134	134	134
12100	Mo. Pacific	93⅝	94⅝	93⅝	94⅝
1200	M. K. & T. pfd	65⅝	65⅝	65⅝	65⅝
4700	Metropolitan	127½	127½	127	127
	Mex. Central	20⅝	20⅝	20⅝	20⅝
550	Nail. Load	14	14	14	14
3700	N. Y. Central	134½	135	134½	135
1700	N. Y., O. & W	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
1925	N. Y. O. & W	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
1100	N. & W	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝
1500	Nor. Amer. Co	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝
2700	Peoples Gas	97⅝	97⅝	97⅝	97⅝
15400	Penna. R. R	131⅝	132⅝	131⅝	132⅝
200	P. Steel Car	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝
	Do preferred	87⅝	87⅝	87⅝	87⅝
1400	Pressed Steel Car	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
	Ry. Springs	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝
	Do preferred	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝	78⅝
6100	Reading	107⅝	108⅝	107⅝	108⅝
16700	Rock Island	24⅝	25⅛	24⅝	25⅛
1100	Do preferred	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝
1400	St. L. & S. F. 2d pf	65⅝	65⅝	65⅝	65⅝
5000	Southern Pacific	69⅝	70⅛	69⅝	70⅛
2200	Southern Ry	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝
1200	Do preferred	79⅝	79⅝	79⅝	79⅝
12425	St. Paul	144½	144½	143½	143½
170	Do preferred				
1200	St. P. C. & P	131	131	131	131
10675	Tenn. C. & I	86⅝	87⅝	86⅝	87⅝
100	Texas & Pacific	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝
300	Tol., St. L. & W	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝
1100	Do preferred	70⅝	70⅝	70⅝	70⅝
1200	U. S. Steel	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝
15300	Do preferred	55⅝	55⅝	55¼	55¼
1400	Union Pacific	103⅝	104⅝	103⅝	104⅝
1500	Do preferred	93⅝	93⅝	93⅝	93⅝
600	Do preferred	87⅝	87⅝	87⅝	87⅝
	U. S. R. & Cons	37	37	37	37
	Do preferred	87	87	87	87
100	Wabash	20	20	20	20
600	Do preferred	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝
	Western Union	87	87	86⅝	86⅝
277000	Total sales.				

*Ex-dividend.

INACTIVE LIST.

200	Am. G. & Twine	6	6	6
100	A. Hide & Leath	9	9	9
100	Am. Linseed	29½	29½	29½
100	Am. Woolen	27	27	27
100	Am. Can. pf	73⅝	73⅝	73⅝
100	D. & H. Co	172	172	172
100	K. C., F. S. & M. pf	69	69	69
100	K. C., M. & B. pf	34	34	34
300	Met. Securities	104½	104½	104½
1100	M. K. & T. com	27⅜	27⅜	27⅜
200	N. R. R. Mex. pf	38½	38½	38½
1000	N. Y. Dock	25	25	25
200	Pacific Coast	104½	104½	104½
200	Pacific Coast. 2ds	78	78	78
400	Rubber Goods	18	18	18
200	Do preferred	72	72	72
100	Do preferred	79	79	79
2000	Va. Car. Chem	27½	27½	27½
1500	Do preferred	91½	91½	91½
4000	Wes. Elec. 2ds	84⅜	84⅜	84⅜
	Do preferred	126	126	126

*Ex-dividend.

CLOSING PRICES NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg	106	N. Y. Cent. 3½s	100½
Do coupon	106½	Nor. Pac. gen. 4s	102½
Do new 3s, reg	107⅝	Do 3s	74
Do coupon	107⅝	Do 1st con. 4s	103
U. S. new 4s, reg	137½	St. L. & S. F. 1st 4s, g	98
Do coupon	137½	St. L. & S. F. gen. 6s	118
U. S. old 4s, reg	100½	Do 2ds	79
Do coupon	110½	St. L. & S. W. 1st 4s, g	94
Do 2s, reg	97½	Do 2d 4s	70
Do coupon	97½	Tex. & Pac. 1st 5s	118
Atchison gen. 4s	99½	Union Pacific 4s	105

CLOSING PRICES NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg	106	L. & N. uni. 4s	100½
Do coupon	106½	Mex. cent. 1st gold 4s	102½
U. S. 3s, reg	107⅝	Mex. Central 4s	76
Do coupon	107⅝	Do 1st con.	84½
U. S. new 4s, reg	137½	M., K. & T. 1st 4s	98
Do coupon	137½	Do 2ds	79
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Atchison gen. 4s	99½	St. L. & S. F. 1st 4s, g	98
Can. Sou. 2ds	106½	St. L. & S. F. gen. 6s	118
Chesa. & O. 4½s	107½	Do 2ds	79
C. & O. 4½s, 1992	107	St. L. & S. W. 1st 4s, g	94
C. & O. 4½s, 1939	107	Do 2d 4s	70
C. B. & Q. new 4s	107⅝	Tex. & Pac. 1st 5s	118
C. R. I. & P. 4s	100	Union Pacific 4s	105
C. & A. 4s	100	Wabash 1st 5s	118
C. C. C. & St. L. 4s	100	Do 2d 5s	106
Chi. Term. 4s	77	Do deb. B.	70
Con. Tobacco 4s	58½	W. Shore 4s, reg	107
Col. & So. 4s	98	Do 2d 4s	107
Den. & R. G. 4s	99½	Wis. Cent. 4s	94
Erie prior lien 4s	96	Va. Mid. 5s	107
Do gen. 4s	86½	Va. & S. W. 5s	107
F. W. & D. C. 1st 6s	132	Wab. 1st 5s	118
Hock. Val. 4½s	106½		

*Bid. †Offered.

New York Curb Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Sproul & Co.)

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MORNINGSIDE LINE IS NOW ASSURED

Last Obstacles Removed to the Speedy Building of Much Wanted Trolley Road.

RESIDENCE SALE OF $30,000

Morningside is at last assured of a street car line, the result of the energetic efforts of property holders in that district during the last two weeks. From an official of the Pittsburgh Railways company it was learned yesterday that the last obstacles are being removed to the construction of the line from Stanton avenue to Butler street and that when the matter is brought up in councils in January it will be in such a shape that no delay is anticipated. The proposed line will be nearly four miles long and will cost $175,-000. The track will run in Chislett street and the Oiber in Jancey street to a point near Baker street. To avoid running both tracks by the public school house, to which the residents strongly objected, the company has lately bought the Hamilton and the Inverarat properties for a private right of way. The property owners in Morningside led by Leopold Visnacke, have also secured the signatures of all abutting property owners on Jancey street to release their claims and dedicate the street to the city. This obviates all delays caused by condemnation suits and viewing of property. The street will be formally dedicated to the city in January.

Will Boom Morningside Properly.

The tracks will run down to Butler street by way of Baker street, skirting the side hill and coming out at the end of the new Aspinwall bridge over the Allegheny river. Most of the property owners along Jancey and Baker streets have agreed to grade which will leave some of the properties high up in the air. When the ties were removed from Morningside some weeks ago to Homewood it was reported that the line would not be built, but the company is making preparations to go ahead with the work in January or as soon as councils settle the details of using the streets. The new line will give an outlet to the entire Morningside district where property has lain idle for months because of no street car facilities and will by a connection with East Liberty make it easy for the inhabitants of Aspinwall, Sharpsburg and Lawrenceville to go to the East End without the troublesome transfer at Penn avenue and Butler street. It is also proposed to build a foot bridge over Heights Run to the zoo in Highland park, thus making a short route to the park for Morningside residents as well as for those in the districts named before. The new line is certain to result in a substantial boom in real estate in Morningside and already several large house building projects are contemplated.

Two Properties Bring $30,000.

Two parcels of property in Dinwiddie street changed hands yesterday for $20,000 and $10,-000 respectively. They belonged to Edgar T. Adler and were purchased by William B. Reynolds. One is a residence property Sixty feet facing Dinwiddie street, about 400 feet north of Colwell street, and the other is an 84-foot lot, 40-foot front, on the same street also well located and were secured for an investment.

Through the Land Title & Trust Company an exchange deal aggregating $37,000 has been consummated. For Jacob Nett the company sold to J. C. Fisher a three-story brick apartment house on lot 37x122 feet, on the east side of Tacoma street, near Wood street, Wilkinsburg. The building contains 12 suites of four and five rooms each, and was put into the deal at $23,000. In part payment for it Mr. Fisher tendered an 11-room one and one-half house, lot 34x123 feet, in Bidwell street, Fifth ward, Allegheny, which is valued at $14,000.

Big Sewickley Deal Closed.

The final papers were signed at noon yesterday in the sale of the McDonald and Nevin properties at Sewickley, mention of which was made in The Gazette Tuesday. They contain seven and eight acres, respectively, although several lots were reserved in the sale which amounted to $355,000. The properties were bought by a syndicate of Sewickley and Pittsburgh capitalists headed by Albert M. Gibbon. Most of the former owners are represented in the syndicate. A new survey of the properties will be made at once preparatory to extending Maple avenue and Fine street through the tract and lay it out in lots. The company will shortly have plans prepared for about 50 houses to be built of the new Averill building stone, sometimes called the Gerhard stone, from the fact that it is manufactured by the Gerhards at West Pittsburgh.

Reported Sale an Error.

The reported sale of the High Lafferty property at the southeast corner of Fifth and Shady avenues to T. J. Keenan which was reported yesterday, appears to be a myth. Officials of the Real Estate Trust Company stated yesterday that they had made no such sale, although the deal was generally credited to them.

Grand avenue: The Peoples Savings Bank sold to Frank Stroebler a lot 48.5x120 feet in Grand avenue, Thirtieth ward, for $1,050.

Woodville avenue: Thomas Gilham sold to Samuel Ramsey an improved lot, 25x100 feet, in Woodville avenue, Thirty-fifth ward, for $1,150.

Transfers Recorded.

Smith Mary E to Wm McFarland, July 7, 18th wd, Pgh, 230x129, Hampton ave.	$ 5,750
Sweeney J F to Lydia Granam, Oct 29, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x100, Upland st	4,500
Shipley S T to E Von Hedemara, Dec 10, 35th wd, Pgh, 26x125, Sweet Briar st	2,000
Post Wm J to E A Barnes, Nov. 12, 20th wd, Pgh, 30x100, Negley ave	15,000
McCormick M to E Lenzinger, Dec 12, Millvale, 24x110, North ave	1,625
Iseman Wm to F M Lubrecht, Dec 18, Kingsville, Ohio, ave	2,700
Florig C H to S H Baker, Oct 31, 21st wd, Pgh, 61x100, Frankstown ave	19,000
West M C G to M Hepburn, Dec 1, 21st wd, Pgh, 30x97, Race st	7,600
Gallinger H W to Jno Orr, Jr, Dec 16, N Versailles twp, 7 lots, Crostas	1,400
Bratt C B to A V Purnell, June 23, 11th wd, Wylie ave, Thos Chilen st	5,000
Armstrong Elmer to M Naunan Jr, Dec 24, Esplen, lot 25x150	2,650
Keller Geo J to F G Leonard, Nov 4, 21st wd, Pgh, 20x69, Mt Vernon st	3,200
Brown Robt H to Mamie V Walker, Dec 9, Carnegie, 44x140, Beechwood ave	1,800
Baldridge Jno Jr to M J Baldridge, July 26, N Braddock, 40x150, Carey st	2,000
Carpenter A E to J S Fitzgibbon, Dec 21, Sheraden, 100x100, Third st	6,000
Chrisly Lydia S to Matilda Walker, Dec 8, Carnegie, 41x149, Beechwood ave	2,850
Speidel Geo W to Henry P Gabel, May 15, 22d wd, Pgh, 100x145, Homewood ave	6,000
Knoxville L Impt Co to Henry H Brinkman, Nov 27, Knoxville, 22 lots, Knoxville have to grade the grade which will leave some of the properties high up in the air. When the ties were removed from Morningside some weeks ago to Homewood it was reported that the line would not be built, but the company is making preparations to go ahead with the work in January or as soon as councils settle the details of using the streets. The new line will give an outlet to the entire Morningside district where property has lain idle for months because of no street car facilities and will by a connection with East Liberty make it easy for the inhabitants of Aspinwall, Sharpsburg and Lawrenceville to go to the East End without the troublesome transfer at Penn avenue and Butler street. It is also proposed to build a foot bridge over Heights Run to the zoo in Highland park, thus making a short route to the park for Morningside residents as well as for those in the districts named before. The new line is certain to result in a substantial boom in real estate in Morningside and already several large house building projects are contemplated.	103,500
Scott Albert J to Luella C Pearce, Dec 9, 11th wd, Alle, 26x120, Westminster ave	7,650
Miller Henry to J C Hershey, Dec 12, Braddock, 12x112, Center ave	3,375
Glanag C J to M J Winderlich, Dec 10, 21st wd, Pgh, 14x97, Homewood ave	2,700
Hurst C L to Alfred C Hurst, Dec 15 Edgewood, 30x129, Lincoln ave	6,500
Gang Minnie to J F Semmelrock, Dec 7, 26th wd, Pgh, 25x58, Carey alley	1,500

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Butter steady; creameries, 16@22c; dairies, 14@21c. Eggs easy at mark (cases included), 20@27½c. Cheese steady at 10@10½c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Butter—Receipts, 3,-846 pkgs; market quiet; creamery, 25c; creamery, common to choice, 15@22c; state dairy, 14@20c; held creamery, 15@20c. Cheese—Receipts, 2,553 pkgs; market quiet; state full cream, fancy small colored, September, 12c; late made, 10c; small white September, 12c; late made, 10c; large colored September, 12c; late made, 10c; large white September, 12c; late made, 10c. Eggs—Receipts, 3,585 pkgs; market quiet; state and Pennsylvania nearby average finest, 26c; do second to firsts, 30@24c; western, 26c; do seconds to firsts, 30@24c; refrigerated, 20@25c.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 24.—Butter quiet but steady; extra western creamery, 25½c; extra nearby prints, 27c. Eggs dull and 2c lower; fresh nearby, 26c at the mark; fresh western, 22c (loss off); fresh southwestern, 21@22c (loss off); fresh southern, 20c (loss off). Cheese steady; New York full creams, fancy, 11¾@; New York full cream, choice, 11½@; do fair to good, 10¾@11¼c.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The market for coffee futures opened firm on good buying from European and outside sources which was met by further liquidation on the part of room traders. Cables were higher, helping the advance, and primary receipts were moderate, so that until about midday the market continued firm at 15@20 points net. In the afternoon, however, liquidation was heavier, and with shorts less active buyers. Prices sagged off nominally steady, unchanged to 5 points lower. Sales were 149,000 bags, including December at 6.80c, January at 6.65@6.80c, February at 6.85@6.90c, March at 7.00@7.10c, April at 7.20c, May at 7.25@7.40c, July at 7.45@7.55c, September at 7.65@7.80c, October at 7.80@7.85c, November at 7.90c. Sugar—Raw nominal; fair refining, 3 1-16@3¼c; centrifugal, 96 degrees test, 3 9-16c; molasses sugar, 2 13-16@2¾c; refined quiet; crushed 5.65c; powdered and granulated, 4.45c.

BIG SALES REPORTED AT STEADY PRICES

Markets Very Active Yesterday, Candies in Demand—Oranges Come Down.

Market men had the busiest day in months yesterday. In anticipation of a drop in prices many put off buying Christmas poultry until the last minute. However, prices were firm, and not a single quotation is changed. Many more turkeys were sold in Pittsburgh for Christmas dinners than at Thanksgiving time. Then prices were so high people bought other meat. Dealers on Liberty avenue were practically sold out at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It has been the biggest business will remain steady clear through the holiday season.

There has been a big demand for California oranges, but a drop of 25 points took place yesterday. Florida oranges are in good demand. Candies sold well. Wholesale men disposed of more pure to Christmas than at any similar period in years. All holiday greens that have been piled up in front of business places, disappeared rapidly after 12 o'clock yesterday.

At the hay and grain market there was little selling yesterday. No. 2 yellow shelled car corn was sold at 51½ cents. Eleven dollars was offered for No. 2 timothy, but there were no sales. There were no bidders on straw. No. 2 white oats were offered at 45½c, and 46½c was bid. Old No. 2 yellow shelled was offered at 52c, with no bidders. High mixed corn was offered at 50c, but 49c was the highest bid on it. Not much change from the present state is looked for in the market next week. Heating of the new year provisions will commence to look up. The fish market will also improve. Butter, eggs and cheese will not change until that time.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Pennsylvania lines, 27 cars hay, 8 cars oats, 4 cars corn, 4 cars straw and 1 car rye; Baltimore & Ohio, 7 cars hay, 1 car corn and oats, 1 car screenings, 1 car feed, 1 car straw and 1 car corn; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, 6 cars hay and 2 cars corn.

Hay, No. 1 timothy	$15.50@16.00
Hay, No. 2 timothy	$14.00@15.00
Hay, No. 1 clover	$11.25@11.50
Hay, No. 2 clover	$10.00@10.50
No. 1 mix	$11.50@12.00
Loose from wagon	$15.00@17.00
Straw, oat	$8.50@9.00
Straw, wheat	$8.50@9.00
Straw, rye	$12.50@13.00
Oats, No. 2 white	44½@45c
Oats, No. 3 white	43½@44c
Oats, No. 4	42½@43c
Corn, No. 2 yellow shelled	52@53c
Corn, No. 3 yellow shelled	50@51c
Corn, No. 2 yellow ear	53@54c
Corn, No. 3 yellow ear	52@53c
Corn, No. 4 yellow ear	50@51c
Corn, No. 2 white	51½@52c
Corn, No. 3 white	50½@51c
Corn, No. 4 white	49½@50c
Corn, No. 2 mixed ear	51½@52c
Corn, No. 3 mixed ear	50½@51c
Corn, No. 4 mixed ear	49½@50c
New No. 2 yellow shelled	50@51c
New No. 2 yellow ear	53@54c

GROCERIES.

Flour.	
Fancy spg. pat.	$4.80@4.85
Fancy winter patent	$4.25@4.80
Straight win.	$4.05@4.00
Bakers' spg.	$3.40@3.60
Rye	$3.65@3.75
Graham	$4.00@4.50
Cornmeal, bbl	$3.25@3.40
do 10-lb cotton bags	17@18c
Rolled oats, bbl	$5.10
do kegs	$2.40
Roasted Coffee.	
Rio	9½@12c
Santos	12½@14½c
Maracaibo	17½@17½c
Peaberry	17@18c
Golden Rio	15@15½c
Caracas	19@19½c
Blanded	
pkgs	$11.05@11.55
High gr'des	$17.50@18.30
Molasses, fancy	
refined	35@37c
do choice	32@35c
do open ket	38@40c
Syrup.	
Fancy sugar	28@30c
Sug. and cane	24@25c
Prime	24@25c
2½-lb cans, doz	90c
5-lb cans, doz	$1.40
10-lb cans, doz	$2.40
Maple, gal	75@$1.00
Cornmeal, bbl	$5.00
do kegs	$2.90
Sugar, Sta. gran.	4.85c
do bags	4.55c
do 2-lb carton	4.80c
Sugar, 5-lb cotton bags	4.80c

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, std. pie	$1.10
do pie, gal	$2.50@3.00
do California	
Lg. C	$1.90@2.25
do Mary-	
land	$1.30@1.65
do California Y.	$1.60@2.00
Corn, Kan.	$1.30@1.40
do std	$1.20@1.25
Cherries, std	
Lima beans	$2.60@2.70
do soaked	75@80c
String beans, 2-lb	85c
Succotash, std	$1.25@1.50
Strawberries	
Pease, marrows	$1.25@1.75
do fair	85@90c
do extra fine	$1.00@1.10
do early June	85@$1.00
do sifted	90@95c
Apples, N. Y., gal. cans	$2.15@2.25
Pineapples	$1.00@2.25

DRIED FRUITS.

Apricots, evap., bags	9@12c
do 25-lb boxes	8½@11½c
Apples, bulk	6½@8½c
do 14-lb cartons	7½@8½c
Peaches	7½@10c
Raspberries	24@25c
Raisins, seeded, 1-lb pkgs	9½@10c

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1 mess, bbl	$12.00
do half bbl	$6.50
do qtr. bbl	$3.50
Mackerel, No. 1 Plain, bbl	$25.00
do half bbls	$12.90
do qtr. bbls	$6.50
do 20-lb pails	$2.75
do 10-lb pails	$1.45
Mackerel, No. 2 bbls	$20.00
do half bbls	$11.00
do 20-lb pails	$2.40
do 10 lb pails	$1.35
Lake herring, 100 lbs	75@$2.25
do 20-lb quar	$1.25
do 10-lb	48c

SEEDS.

Clover, from store, recleaned, 60-lb bu, small	$7.10@7.20
do mam.	
Beans	$1.20@7.30
do crimson	$4.50@4.75
do white	
Dutch	$14.00@18.00
Alsike	$8.75@9.00
Alfalfa	$8.50@9.00
Millet	$1.25@1.50
Grass, Hungarian	90c@$1.10
do lawn, lb	15@20c
Blue, 14-lb bu	$1.50@1.75
do red top, 14-lb bu	$1.10@2.00
Timothy	$1.80@1.90

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, per sack store	80@85c
do track	70@75c
Sweets, Virginia	$2.00@2.25
Kiln dried	$2.00@2.25
do bu. box	$1.25@1.35
do mediums	$1.75@2.00
Turnips, bbl	$1.75@2.00
Onions, bbl	$2.00@2.25
do bulk, bu	55@60c
do new, doz	20@30c
do Spanish crate	$1.00@1.10
Cucumbers, hothouse, doz	$1.25@1.50
Cabbage	1½@2c
Lettuce, home, doz	10c@$1.00
do Ashtakula, basket	25@35c
Garlic, lb	7@8c
Celery, Ohio	25@35c
Cauliflower, doz	$2.25@2.50
Peppers, bu	40@50c
Horseradish, bbl	$5.00@5.50
Egg plant, hamper	$4.00@4.50

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live chickens	11@12c
Broilers	20@25c
Turkeys	17@18c
Live ducks, lb	12@13c
Geese	10@12c
Pigeons, pair	20@25c
Dressed spring chickens	14@15c
Roasters	15@16c
Turkeys, fresh, dressed	20@25c
do frozen	18@19c
Ducks	17@18c
Rabbits, pair	20@30c
Squirrels, pair	40@50c
Hares	50c
Capons	20@22c
Pheasants, pair	75@$1.00
Quail, doz	$1.00
Mallard ducks	$1.00
Teal	$1.00
Venison, saddle	$1.50
Venison, leg	$1.00
Venison, shoulder

RAIN FELL ON SHOPPERS' RUSH

Belated Gift Buyers Defied the Wet Weather and Thronged the Streets.

XMAS BROUGHT TO MANY

Forethinking persons who had done their Christmas shopping congratulated themselves yesterday on rising and looking out of the window. It was raining, and visions of the unforehanded, who had postponed to the last day the purchasing of Christmas gifts, paddling across muddy crossings, carrying bundles soaked by the falling rain and altogether filled with a miserable spirit diametrically opposed to the traditional Christmas state of mind, rose before them. But the prophetic vision was not quite so acute to them as to those who still had their gift-buying to do, for with them vision soon became actuality and the mud was sticky and the rain palpable. Still, the spirit rose above the miserable weather.

Had it been any other day but the day before Christmas nothing but business would have forced men and women to get out on the streets, but as it was Christmas eve the streets were crowded, at least in the afternoon, for whatever the weather, Santa Claus had to shine for thousands today, and too many had neglected to follow the advice so freely given by philosophers, store advertisements and editors, to go early to avoid the rush. The rush was there, for the advice has not been followed since Christmas became an institution to be preceded by buying in stores and the shops were crowded the same as for many years on the day before Christmas.

Not a White Christmas.

Of course, there was much lamentation because Christmas this year it seemed, was not to be the white Christmas beloved by every sentimentalist, but who knows? Maybe those whose hearts are warm enough but whose bodies will feel the cold when there isn't any coal in the house are just as well satisfied if there is no snow today. Yesterday's rain was warmer than any snow, and there will be some people today with luck sufficient to insure a good dinner but not money to buy a sufficient supply of fuel who will gladly sacrifice the white Christmas on the altar of the rain god.

Hearts are just as expansive this season as of yore. The benevolent associations did their usual work in the Christmas tread line, employers remembered their employes with turkeys and gifts in money, and Mayor Hays scattered gold pieces lavishly among his clerks and the scrubwomen in city hall. Director Edward M. Bigelow was a temporary Santa Claus to the tune of $27,000, for he advanced out of his own pocket money for the wages of the employes of the bureau of highways and sewers, men who but for the director's forethought would not have been paid this month on account of the absence of money in the bureau's fund.

The Christmas holidays of the public school children began yesterday. There was no school, although in some of the school houses the rooms of the smaller pupils were open and the little girls brought their dolls to nurse and the small boys took tin soldiers and made them fight in the intervals of story telling by the teachers.

Good Dinners Distributed.

The Salvation Army and the Volunteers of America distributed baskets containing a good Christmas dinner to hundreds of poor families. Good dinners cost money, too, this Christmas. Dressed turkeys were worth 30 cents a pound yesterday and chickens and ducks were high priced. Ordinary meats retailed at the prevailing prices.

Today the nativity will be celebrated with religious service and feasting. At the Epiphany church there will be a mass at 5 o'clock and all the other Catholic and Episcopal churches will have services. Prisoners at the penal institutions will find a more elaborate menu awaiting them at dinner; all the hospitals have prepared a turkey dinner, of which the patients will partake, if they are physically able to eat it. All the theaters will give matinees, the usual orchestra concert will be given at Carnegie music hall, the Welsh will gather at the eisteddfod in Old City hall and programs of special music will be rendered at the Episcopal and Catholic churches.

Christmas will be generally observed throughout the Monongahela and Turtle creek valleys today. All the mills and workshops have closed down and all the large manufacturing concerns paid their employes this week. Special services will be held in the majority of the churches, in the various towns in both valleys this morning, and amusements and receptions are planned for this evening.

The ladies of Munhall borough have arranged a novel treat for the children. Two large Christmas trees will be erected in the Municipal building and hundreds of presents will be placed on the trees and will be presented to the children of the borough. No distinction will be made. Previous to the presentation of the gifts a musical and literary entertainment will be held in the borough building, and the Homestead Library band will render a number of selections. The money for the event was raised by popular subscription, and a large sum was donated by the Munhall Republican association, the money remaining from the last borough campaign.

All the employes of the Homestead steel works were given a lot of fine Baldwin apples in the mill yesterday by E. H. Gibbs of the King Bridge Company of Cleveland.

Bookcase for J. J. O'Toole.

The employes of the billing and packing department of the Pittsburgh Dry-goods Company yesterday presented the manager of the department, J. J. O'Toole, with a fine bookcase as a Christmas offering. A. Ott, one of the oldest employes of the firm, made the presentation speech.

FAIR YOUNG VOCALIST ENTERTAINS CHURCH AUDIENCE

MISS CAROLINE STRATTON CASE.

Christmas exercises were held last evening by the Sunday school of the Shadyside Presbyterian church. The feature of the entertainment was furnished by Mrs. Babcock's class. Caroline Stratton Case, the 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin L. Case, of St. James street, sang the solo of three verses, "Rock-a-Bye, Baby," clearly and with great expression, the other members of the class joining in the chorus, each holding a doll and rocking it while they sang.

MISS BYLLESBY REMEMBERED.

Departing Deaconess of St. Mary Memorial Church Received Gifts.

The usual Christmas treat to the children was given last night at St. Mary Memorial Episcopal church in Oakland. Bishop Cortland Whitehead was present and the children were delighted with the Christmas tree and the candy and gifts they received. While the children were being remembered, Miss Ruth E. Byllesby, the deaconess of the church, who will leave for New Jersey at the beginning of the year, was not forgotten. The ladies of the church had prepared a surprise for her. The presents were a teakettle and tray, a fine china tea set and a beautiful silk bed comforter, the last named article having been made surreptitiously by the mothers, in whose regular meetings Miss Byllesby had taken great interest.

In presenting the gifts the bishop dwelt on the seven years during which Miss Byllesby, as deaconess, visited the poor, comforted the sick and did many things of which only the recipients of her kindness know.

Easy Money.

If you need money for the holidays or any other purpose, consult the MECHANICS LEASE & TRUST CO., 401 BIJOU BUILDING, 611 PENN AVE. They loan from $10 to $1,000 on furniture, pianos, household goods, or any other kind of security, on liberal terms. Easy payments and strictly confidential.

NO POLITICS IN GOVERNOR'S VISIT

State's Executive Saw President in Relation to University of Pennsylvania.

CAPITOL SCANDAL IS DENIED

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 24.

"I have told you everything in connection with my trip and my object," said Gov. Pennypacker today to a group of newspapermen after he had dictated a statement in which he declared that his sole purpose in visiting Washington was to see President Roosevelt in connection with the University of Pennsylvania.

The governor made this additional statement in answer to specific questions as to the story in the Philadelphia Ledger of today that a scandal is brewing in financial quarters on capitol Hill and that there are indications of a hitch in the transfer of certain state offices.

"My sole purpose in going to Washington," he said, "was to see the president in behalf of the University of Pennsylvania. And if it had been for the urgent request of Provost Harrison, I should not have gone. Having reason to believe that Mr. Quay has the confidence of the president, I asked him to go with me, and with that readiness which he always displays when he can be helpful to Pennsylvania, he consented.

"I had expected to spend the night at the Raleigh. Somewhat to my surprise, I found the senator waiting for me when I arrived, and he invited me, instead, to go to his home. I therefore secured two advantages which had not been anticipated—the pleasure of lodging with the senator and of lunching with the president, and the courtesy of both I much appreciate. I have told you everything in connection with my trip and its object."

Regarding the alleged scandal in the post-departments State Treasurer Harris declared emphatically that it did not affect the treasury, which is in better condition than it has ever been. Mr. Harris also said that every deposit of state funds is covered by a gilt-edged bond with double the amount of the deposit, and that it is almost impossible for the state to sustain any loss by the failure of state depositories.

As to the transfer of state offices there will be no change in any of the departments before next April, when the state treasury will change hands, and one month later when Auditor General-elect Snyder will assume office.

Asked for a Christmas sentiment the governor dictated the following: "May the coming Christmas, which finds the people of this commonwealth happy, contented and prosperous, beyond most people upon the face of the earth, be a time when they shall feel and give expression to a sentiment of kindliness and charity for all, not only within but without their homes."

TIPSTAVES GOT BIBLES.

Joking Repartee Led to Elegant Gifts From an Attorney.

Two well-known court officials of No. 3 court, Robert Fowler and Robert McCutcheon, are rejoicing today over gifts they had not expected. Each was the recipient of an elegant Bible. The very best specimens of the bookbinder's art, as the result of a brief repartee that occurred in No. 3 court room on Wednesday. On that day court was not in session but the two tipstaves were sitting in the court room. While they sat silently Attorney J. E. McKelvey entered the room and disturbed them.

"You two old men should be at home reading your Bibles, if you have nothing else to do," was the remark he directed at them.

They replied together almost: "We have none or that is what we would be doing."

The attorney left but last night each tipstaff received an elegant volume of the Scripture from him.

CHRISTMAS WILL BE SAD.

Nine Men Who Yesterday Began to Serve Sentences in the Penitentiary.

For the crimes they had done, nine prisoners were taken to the Western penitentiary yesterday, where they will spend their Christmas in penal servitude. The men were taken from the Allegheny county jail by Deputy Sheriff James Haggerty and were conveyed to the prison in an Allegheny city patrol wagon.

Oscar Willhouse must serve the longest sentence. He was given 12 years and 11 months for the murder of Henry Sauerwald on June 30. The other prisoners will serve the following terms: Edward Gamble, two years, burglary; Paul Krueger, five years and six months, burglary; Albert Jones, six years and six months, burglary; John Krause, four years and six months, burglary; Toni Lugi, three years and 10 months, felonious cutting; William Forrest, three years and 10 months, criminal assault; Charles Anderson, six years, burglary; Frank Reed, four years and six months, forgery.

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Cuts and Wounds

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JOHN SMITH.

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"A Merry, Merry Christmas!" | Wheels of Trade Rest Friday

THE PEOPLE'S STORE **CAMPBELL'S** MAIL ORDERS FILLED
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Bring Us Your Money Gifts And Let Us Double Them

"HALFTERMATH SALE" is what a jocular woman called it last year—our stirring, after-Christmas clean-up of holiday goods. Happy word coinage. Saturday we'll work the same "quick turn" once again—once again swell the volume of a single day's trade to the proportions of an ordinary week's business.

Lots and lots of fuel for this bonfire.

Enough of perlude. Now for the meat in the cocoanut:

SATURDAY

50c set stone Building Blocks 25c.
$2.25 Doll Chiffoniers $1.13.
$1.25 Express Wagons 63c.
50c Tin Cook Stoves 25c.
$1.00 Hurdy-Gurdy 50c.
50c Iron Safe Banks 25c.
50c Malleable Iron Toys 25c.
25c Soldier Sets 13c.
50c Automatic Toys 25c.
10c Whips 5c.
10c Musical Tops 5c.
10c boxes Christmas Candles 5c.
75c Woven Wire Beds 38c.
$1.00 Big Mechanical Locomotive 50c.

These For Just 1/2 Our Previous Prices

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50c Cannons 25c.
50c Laundry Sets 25c.
25c Doll Hammocks 13c.
25c Dangerless Guns 19c.
$1.00 Sleds 50c.
$1.50 Dressed or Undressed Dolls 25c.
$2.50 All-Steel Dolls $1.25.
$1.00 Photo Albums 50c.
10c Picture Books 5c.
$1.00 Gold-Top Ink Stands 50c.
$1.00 Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets 50c.
75c Trimmed Pin Cushions 38c.
$5 Triplicate Mirrors $2.50.
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$50 Electric Seal Coats, $33.34.
$35 Electric Seal Coats for $23.34.
$10 Misses' Coats for $6.67.
$55 Lynx Fur Boas for $36.67.
$40 Fox Boas for $26.67.
$15 Isabella Fox Boas for $10.
$22.50 Short Coat Suits $14.67.
$15 Long Coat Suits for $10.
65c Shoulder Shawls 42c.
$6.50 Walking Suits $4.33.
$7.50 Girls' Long Coats $5.
67c Scrap Baskets 45c.

These Will Be 1/3 Off.

25c Fancy Stationery 17c.
$15 Silver-Plated Tea Sets $10.
$9 Silver-Plated Baking Dishes $6.
$2.50 Gold Clocks $1.67.
$3.00 Jewel Cases for $2.00.
$1.50 Candle Sticks $1.00.
$2.00 Steins $1.34.
$1.00 Bohemian Glass Vase 66c.
$1.25 Bisque Statuettes 83c.
$2.75 Ebony Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets $1.83.
$5 Self-Moistening Cigar Boxes $3.34.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE

HAS ESTABLISHED A

Free Bureau of Employment

In announcing the establishment of its free bureau of employment The Gazette feels that this is an eminently fitting time for the inauguration of an institution so much in keeping with the Christmas spirit and which, it is hoped, will be instrumental in promoting the general welfare and prosperity of the community.

It is clearly in the common interest that every facility should be afforded every person who is out of work for finding employment, and with this end in view The Gazette has established a free bureau of employment, to which all persons out of work or wishing to better their present positions are invited to send in their applications.

The Gazette will make no charge whatever for this service, and although all the manifold resources of a great newspaper will be placed at the service of those seeking work, it should be clearly understood that The Gazette does not guarantee to find positions for all who apply.

Application may be made either in person or by letter. Full particulars should be given as to qualifications, experience, salary expected, etc., and when possible, letters of recommendation should accompany the application.

A spacious apartment in the Gazette office has been fitted up for the purpose of the bureau, and persons out of work are invited to call at any time between 8 a. m. and 11 p. m.

Employers wanting help in any capacity will be able to secure it much more readily and more satisfactorily through The Gazette's Bureau of Employment than in any other way. Instead of being compelled to wait several days for replies to an advertisement they can at once be put in communication with a number of applicants possessing the qualifications desired.

Address All Communications to The Bureau of Employment, Care The Pittsburgh Gazette.